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#### **GOLD**

- Heavy Gold Stater LYDIA, CROESUS; 565-546 BC, Heavy Gold Stater, 10.77g., 100 Greatest Ancient Coins, Harlan J. Berk 2008, The Coinage of Croesus, p. 13 #2. Heavy gold staters of Croesus are something we knew about but never saw until about 20 years ago when a group of Croesus coins came onto the market. That group has now been completely absorbed and it has been several years since we have handled a heavy gold stater of Croesus. They are very rare and much sought
- definitely an issue of Croesus, and not a later issue by the Persians which are far

#### **Ferocious Snake**

- LESBOS, MYTILENE; EL Hekte, 377-326 BC, 2.56g., Bodenstedt-96. Zeus head right wearing laurel wreath, Rx: Ferocious snake striking tail outside frame. This coin has a very imaginative, even over-the-top reverse. It is great
- MYSIA, PERGAMUM; Gold Stater, after 336 BC, 8.61g., Gulbenkian-699, Jameson-2580 (same dies). Obv: Alexander III as Herakles, wearing lion skin; Rx: Archaistic Palladion: standing figure with chlamys over shoulder, spear in raised r. hand, shield with star in I. hand; crested Corinthian helmet in I. field. Flawless image of Palladion. Face of Alexander off flan. A centered coin like this
- Salamis, c. 323-315 BC, 8.50g., Price-3149. Obv: Head of Athena, Rx: Winged Victory holding wreath; rudder to left. Good obverse luster. Reverse weakly struck on chest of Nike, otherwise Near Mint State......4500
- THRACE, LYSIMACHUS; 323-281 BC, Stater, Alexandria Troas, c. 297/6-282/1 BC, 8.53g., Thompson-142. Obv: Diademed head of deified Alexander the Great wearing horn of Ammon, Rx: Athena enthroned left, holding Nike; ΘE on base of throne, M in left field; lion's head on shield. Definitely an issue of Lysimachus and not a later posthumous issue. EF.....
- JULIUS CAESAR STRUCK BY L. MUNATIUS PLANCUS; Aureus, 45 BC, 8.04g., Cr-475/1a, Syd-1019a; Sear, Imperators-60. Obv: Bust of Victory r., draped; behind, C CAES upwards; before, DIC TER downwards. Rx: Pitcher, L PLANC PRAEF VRB to either side. Well struck for one of these traveling mint issues. Beautifully centered with a nearly complete beaded border on both

records only three specimens of this aureus, BM-475, Vienna, and Naville II, 1922, Vautier 114, ex Vidal. Berk photofile contains two others, M&M Sale Nov. 1970, 276 = June 1964, 261 and Sotheby, Metropolitan Museum Sale, Nov. 1972, 21. This variant not in Cohen and missing from the very comprehensive Paris collection of coins of Augustus. Numerous small marks on both obverse and reverse fields. This coin is a rare variant of a normally common issue. Small scrape on the small of the bull's back. Good VF.......8500

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#### Rarest Caligula Aureus Type

- CALIGULA; 37-41 AD, Aureus, Lugdunum, 39-40 AD, 7.78g., BM-29, RIC-27 (R3), Paris-38, C-20 (150 Fr.), Calicó-329; Giard, Lyon-182 (15 spec.). Obv: C CAESAR AVG PON M TR POT III COS III Head laureate r. Rx: S P Q R / P P / OB C S in three lines within oak wreath. The rarest reverse type on Caligula's aurei and denarii, for the simple reason that it was hardly used at all in the large issue of his first tribunician year, to which most of Caligula's surviving precious metal coins belong. Excellent portrait of the emperor who the die cutter evidently
- Fr.), RIC-52. Obv: NERO CAESAR AVGVSTVS Head laureate r. Rx: IVPPITER CVSTOS Jupiter seated I. holding thunderbolt and scepter. This coin has significant luster around the letters and devices. Even though the coin is not full grade, the details that are present give the impression of a complete and higher
- Fr.), RIC-52. Obv: NERO CAESAR AVGVSTVS Head laureate r. Rx: IVPPITER CVSTOS Jupiter seated I. holding thunderbolt and scepter. Excellent portrait of Nero on a perfectly centered obverse with a great deal of luster. Only the details from the highest point of the hair are not present. Choice EF with luster.....8875 Judaea Capta
- VESPASIAN; 69-79 AD, Aureus, Rome, 70 AD, 6.89g., RIC-1 (C2), BM-31, Paris-20, C-225 (50 Fr.), Calicó-643. Obv: IMP CAESAR VESPASIANVS AVG Head laureate r. Rx: IVDAEA in exergue, Mourning Jewess seated r. on ground beside trophy. Even though this coin is quite worn, the only intrusions on its surface are three small bankers' marks. This represents an opportunity for a collector of more modest means to obtain a Judaea Capta aureus. Fine .... 8850
- Nerva Aureus NERVA; 96-98 AD, Aureus, Rome, 97 AD, 7.60g., BM-25 note, Paris-14, C-19 (80 Fr.), RIC-14, Calicó-955 (this coin). Obv: IMP NERVA CAES AVG P M TR P COS III P P Head laureate r. Rx: CONCORDIA EXERCITVVM Clasped hands.
- Trajan Pater

  TRAJAN AND TRAJAN PATER; 98-117 AD, Aureus, Rome, 112-15 AD, 7.23g., BM-506, Paris-691 pl. 38 (same rev. die), C-2 corr. (300 Fr.), RIC-763 (R2), Calicó-1135 (same obv. die). Obv: IMP TRAIANVS AVG GER DAC P M TR P COS VI P P Bust of Trajan laureate, draped, cuirassed r. Rx: DIVVS PATER. TRAIANVS Bare-headed, draped bust of Trajan Pater r. M. Beckmann, The Early Gold Coinage of Trajan's Sixth Consulship, AJN 12, 2000, p. 140, no. 3 (dies a2/P2, four specimens cited). According to Beckman's die study, the type of Divus Trajan Pater was apparently struck early in 112 AD, probably in connection

with Trajan's dedication of his forum and basilica on 1 January of that year. The portrait of Trajan Pater is far better than what one normally sees and certainly better than the portrait of Trajan himself. Very rare and desirable. Fine/VF.9500 6. TRAJAN; 98-117 AD, Aureus, Rome, 115-6 AD, 7.08g., Calicó-1023; C-148 corr. (formerly Paris, 40 Fr.) = BMC p. 105 = RIC-308. Obv: IMP TRAIANO OPTIMO AVG GER DAC P M TR P Bust laureate, draped, cuirassed r. Rx: FORT RED in exergue, COS VI P P SPQR around, Fortuna Redux, veiled, seated I. holding rudder and cornucopia. M. Beckmann, Trajan's Gold Coinage, AD 112-117, AJN 19, 2007, p. 100, dies c10/FR2, recording two specimens. A rare type in this issue: Beckmann found only nine specimens, from two reverse dies. VF...3350 Magnificent Aureus

Lucius Verus Armenia Capta

Saecular Games Aureus

- 22. THEODOSIUS II; 402-450 AD, Solidus, Constantinople, c. 430-440 AD, 4.47g., RIC-257, officina E=5, DO-381. Obv: D N THEODO SIVS P F AVG Bust cuirassed, helmeted facing front, holding spear over shoulder and shield decorated with emperor riding down enemy. Rx: VOTIS XXX MVLT XXXXE Constantinopolis seated I., left foot on prow, shield below I. elbow, holding Victory on globe and scepter; CONOB in exergue, star in r. field. Mint State ................750

- 27. JUSTIN II; 565-578 AD, Solidus, Constantinople, c. Jan. 566 AD, 4.38g., Berk-60, DO-4g, Sear-345. Obv: DN I VSTI NVS P P AVI, Bust facing, wearing cuirass and helmet with plume, diadem, pendilia, and trefoil ornament; holding globe surmounted by Victory who crowns him with a wreath. On left shoulder, shield with vestiges of horseman device and loop on the top. Rx: VICTORI A AVCCC followed by officina letter H=8, Constantinople seated facing, head right,

22 Siliquae

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- 41. HERACLIUS; 610-641 AD, Solidus, 4.36g., Hahn-50, Sear-769. Obv: In center, Heraclius with mustache and long beard; on right, Heraclius Constantine beardless; on left Heraclonas. Each wears chlamys and holds globus cruciger in right hand. All three wear crown with cross. Rx: VICTORIA AVCU followed by officina letter Z=7. Cross potent on three steps, monogram in left field. EF ..485
- HERACLIUS; 610-641 AD, Solidus, Constantinople, c. 641 AD, 4.51g., Hahn-50, Sear-769. As previous lot, but officina S=6. Mint State .......975 Die Clashing
- 43. CONSTANS II; 641-668 AD, Solidus, Constantinople, Jan. 642-646/7 AD, 4.49g., Berk-141, MIB-4a; Sear-937, officina delta=4. The cross of the emperor's globus cruciger on the obverse is visible incuse and upside down in the left reverse field, due to die clashing. Nose and mouth softly struck, otherwise Mint State ......650

- 45. JUSTINIAN II, FIRST REIGN; 685-695 AD, Solidus, Constantinople, c. 692-5 AD, 4.43g., Berk-186, DO-7, MIB-8, Sear-1248. Obv: IhS CRISTOS REX REGNANTIYM Facing portrait of Christ with cross behind head; he has long hair and full beard, wears pallium and colobium, and raises r. hand in benediction; he holds book of Gospels in I.; Rx: IYSTINI AN YS SERY [ChRISTI] Justinian, wearing crown and loros, standing facing, holding cross potent (set on two steps) and akakia; beneath CONOP. First portrait of Christ on a coin; he is called "King of Kings", while Justinian calls himself "Servant of Christ". Beautiful portrait of Christ with no areas of flatness. Excellent image of Justinian on the reverse. Some legend is missing on both sides as a result of the elaborate type. Mint
- 47. CONSTANTINE VII AND ROMANUS II; 913-959 AD, Solidus, Constantinople, c. 945-959 AD, 4.39g., Berk-278, DO-15, Sear-1751. Obv:+IhS XPS REX REGNANTIUM. Bust of Christ facing, wearing nimbus cross (with three pellets in each limb of cross), pallium and colobium, and raising right hand in benediction; in left hand, book of Gospels. Rx: Facing busts of Constantine VII, with short beard (on left) and Romanus II beardless (on right), both crowned and holding between them long patriarchal cross; Constantine is wearing a loros while his son wears a chlamys. Right obverse edge slightly wavy at 4 o'clock, otherwise VF/EF.
- 48. CONSTANTINE VII AND ROMANUS II; 913-959 AD, Solidus, Constantinople, c. 945-959 AD, 4.36g., Berk-278, DO-15, Sear-1751. Obv:+lhS XPS REX REGNANTIUM. Bust of Christ facing, wearing nimbus cross (with three pellets in each limb of cross), pallium and colobium, and raising right hand in benediction; in left hand, book of Gospels. Rx: Facing busts of Constantine VII, with short beard (on left) and Romanus II beardless (on right), both crowned and holding between them long patriarchal cross; Constantine is wearing a loros while his son wears a chlamys. VF.

- 2. CONSTANTINE X; 1059-1067 AD, Stamenon Nomisma, Constantinople, 4.41g., Berk-317, DO-2, Sear-1848. Obv: Christ seated facing on throne, wearing nimbus cross, pallium and colobium, and raising right hand in benediction; in left hand book of gospels. Rx: KWN RACL O DOVKAC. The Virgin nimbate (on right) and Constantine, bearded (on left), both standing, facing; the Virgin wears a pallium and maphorium, and with Her right hand crowns the emperor, who wears saccos and loros and holds globus cruciger; between their heads M and in right field Theta. Right eye of emperor weakly struck, otherwise Mint State..575
- MICHAEL VII; 1071-1078 AD, El Stamenon Nomisma, Constantinople, 4.39g., Berk-326, DO-2, Sear-1868. Obv: Bust of Christ facing, wearing nimbus cruciger, pallium, colobium and raising right hand in benediction; in left hand book of Gospels; to left IC to right XC. Rx: +MIXAHL RACIL OD. Bust facing, bearded, wearing crown and loros, and holding labarum and globus cruciger. Mint State

- 57. NICEPHORUS III; 1078-1081 AD, EL Tetarteron Nomisma, 4.03g., Berk-337, CO-5c2, Sear-1884A. Obv: Bust of Christ facing, wearing nimbus cruciger, pallium

- and colobium, and raising r. hand in benediction; in I. hand, book of Gospels; to left, IC with line above; to right, XC with line above; dotted single border; Rx: Nicephorus standing facing on footstool, bearded, wearing crown and loros, and holding labarum with x on shaft and globus cruciger; single dotted border. Ex Künker 46, 1998, lot 448. Ex Fueg, Stack's 2009, lot 3275. Some areas of flat striking. Flan crack at 10 o'clock on obverse, otherwise Mint State...............2250 AXUMITE KINGDOM, APHILAS; c. 270/290 AD, Gold fraction, 0.32g., Munro-
- AXUMITE KINGDOM, APHILAS; c. 270/290 AD, Gold fraction, 0.32g., Munro-Hay-8. Obv: Draped bust of King Aphilas r., pellet and crescent before. Rx: Greek Inscription. This tiny coin is unbelievably struck in high relief on the obverse FF.
- AXUMITE KINGDOM, ENDUBIS; c. 270/290 AD, Gold unit, 2.62g., Munro-Hay-1.
   Obv: Draped bust of King Endubis r., framed by grain ears, pellet within crescent above. Rx: Similar. Endubis was the first Axumite king. Mint State......1650

- AXUMITE KINGDOM, OUSANAS; c. 270/290 AD, Silver unit, 1.25g., Munro-Hay-33. Obv: Draped bust of King Ousanas r. within double border. Rx: similar. Some traces of gilding. EF/VF.......1100
- 64. AXUMITE KINGDOM, EON; Mid-5th Century AD, Gold unit, 1.56g., Munro-Hay-61. Obv: Crowned and draped bust of King Eon r., holding branch, framed by grain ears, all within beaded circle. Rx: Draped bust right, wearing headcloth, holding branch, framed by two grain ears, all within beaded circle. EF .......875

- 67. KUSHANO-SASANID, VARHRAN III; 360-370 AD, Gold Dinar, 7.73g., Göbl pl. 3/XII AZ. Ex Harlan J. Berk Ltd., Buy or Bid Sale 43, 1986, lot 18. Reverse exhibits multiple striking as usual. The obverse is sharp and clear. Choice FF
- 68. **KUSHAN, KIDARITE, ANONYMOUS**; Gold Stater, Early 5th Century AD, 7.97g., Mitchiner-3695. Obv: Standing Kushan king, Kidara below arm, Kushana in right field, Kpan in left, Rx: The goddess Ardoksho. Poor style, flatly struck.

#### **GREEK SILVER**

- type gold stater. Purchased from Harlan J. Berk Ltd., 1980s. EF.......200
  74. CALABRIA, TARENTUM; Stater, 450-440 BC, 7.76g., Fisher-Bossert-98 but different reverse die. Ex Coin Galleries MBS, 27 February 1985, lot 43. Struck

- BRUTTIUM, CAULONIA; Stater, c. 550-480 BC, 7.82g., SNG ANS-142, SNG Cop-1698, HN Italy-2035. Obv: Apollo Catharsius, holding lustral branch in r., and running figure (also holding branches) on outstretched I.; on r., stag; Rx: Same type, incuse. Flan defect from striking at 4 o'clock. VF......3850
- LUCANIA, VELIA; Didrachm, 330 BC, 7.29g., Williams-335, Gulbenkian-111, pl. XII, SNG Cop-1561. Obv: Head of Athena three-quarter face to left, in bead necklace and crested, winged Phrygian helmet inscribed with engraver's name  $K\Lambda EY\Delta\Omega POY$  on bowl above visor; Rx: Lion left, tearing prey; above,  $\Lambda$ ; below lion, E symbol; magistrate's name in exergue. Purchased from Harlan J. Berk Ltd., 1980s. This is a beautiful example of the facing head signed by Kleudoros across the helmet of Athena. The reverse is struck with a rusty die. Frequently the reverse dies used for this issue are in extremely poor condition. The signature on the obverse is utterly complete and sharp, however, making this on balance an exceptional example. Good VF/Fine .....
- LUCANIA, VELIA; Didrachm, 305/4-293/90 BC, 7.17g., Philistion Group, Williams-482. Obv: Athena head of fine style; helmet decorated with wing over wreath, Rx: Lion right with wheat ear above. Ex Harlan J. Berk Ltd., 1980s.
- SICILY, ACRAGAS; Didrachm, 500-490 BC, 8.31g., Dewing-550, Jenkins Gp. II.b. Obv: Eagle in high relief with closed wings standing I., Rx: Crab with segmented shell (five sections). Although many didrachms of Acragas have been in the market, this is earlier and different from the rest. Obverse softly

#### Remarkable Tetradrachm

- BRUTTIUM, RHEGIUM; Tetradrachm, 425-420 BC, 17.31g., Herzfelder-59, HN Italy-2491. Obv: Lion's scalp facing, two olive leaves with berries in right field. Rx: City founder lokastos seated left, holding staff and resting left hand on hip, snake below seat, city name retrograde, all within wreath. This is one of the last die combinations used in the lion's scalp/seated lokastos series. The youthful lokastos is a beautiful Greek sculpture reminiscent to the similar beautiful Tarsus on the early series of Tarentum, possibly by the same hand (see Fischer-Bossert Tarentum 201). The obverse of this coin is very sharp and although they are considered to be in low relief this is in relatively high relief. This is a wonderful piece of early classical Greek art. Slight granulation under lokastos' chair,
- by Victory; dolphin in exergue; Rx:  $\Sigma YPA/A/KO/\Sigma I\Omega N$  around outer edge of coin; Head of Arethusa surrounded by dolphins. Signature EYK $\Lambda$ EI under truncation of neck. This coin is signed by Eukleidas, while the issue is highly desirable and in fact common, represented by many dies, there is only one signed die and we
- Unpublished). Obv: Head of Persephone left with four dolphins around, Rx: Horse head with palm tree right; below "MMHNT" = People of the camp. The horse head on the reverse of this coin is nothing short of wonderful. Making it even a little bette, is the fact that while the die is very similar to Jenkins 192 and shares an obverse with it, it is definitely not the reverse die of 192 or the several other coins in the series. Near Mint State ......9500
- PANGAEAN DISTRICT, NEAPOLIS; Obol, 500-480 BC, 0.90g., SNG ANS-423. Obv: Facing gorgoneion with protruding tongue, Rx: Quadripartite incuse square.
- MACEDONIA, ARGILOS; c. 460-455 BC, 1/48 unit, 0.26g., Liampi, "Two Coinages of Argilos"-128A, pl. 15. Obv: Forepart of Pegasus r. Rx: Ethnic within incuse square. Very rare; possibly the finest known example. Usual crystallization pattern, otherwise EF.....
- MACEDONIA, EION; Trihemiobol, 5th Century BC, 1.00g., SNG ANS-274. Obv: Goose r., head turned back, lizard above, theta below. Rx: Four-part incuse
- 278. Obv: Goose r., head turned back, lizard above. Rx: Four-part incuse
- Obv: Bull, with head raised, collapsing to I., attacked by lion leaping on his back to r. Rx: Quadripartite square with raised fields with dots in center, surrounded by city name, all within larger incuse square. Powerful type. Highly desirable. The incuse on the reverse represents the city of Acanthus and where the incuse crosses in the center is the axis mundi where the gods dwell and the temple of Acanthus exists. EF......7500

#### **Important Mende**

- CHALCIDIAN DISTRICT, MENDE; Tetradrachm, c. 520-480 BC, 16.31g., Noe, "The Mende Hoard," ANSNNM 27 (1926) #17; Pozzi-772; SNG ANS-Obv: Donkey standing right, bunch of grapes in mouth,  $\text{MIN}\Delta\text{AI}$  retrograde above donkey. Rx: Four part incuse square. Ex Gorny 67, 2 May 1994, lot 85. Extremely high grade obverse with usual granular surface as seen on early coins of Macedonia. Extremely rare. Choice EF/Mint State ......12000
- MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER I; 495-454 BC, Hemiobol, 0.32g., SNG ANS-997 (as "uncertain Macedonia"), SNG Alpha Bank-42. Obv: Horse's head r. Rx: Shallow quadripartite incuse square with four pellets. Usual granular surface. Strong horses head. EF .....
- MACEDONIA, ARCHELAUS I; Diobol, Aegae, 413-399 BC, 1.05g., SNG Alpha Bank-154. Obv: Bearded head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress / APX-E, forepart of wolf right, devouring prey; club above; all within shallow incuse square. Rare. This type marks the first appearance of Herakles on the Macedonian royal coinage. Good VF......650 Price 1
- MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Tetradrachm, Amphipolis, Lifetime, c. 336-323 BC, 17.01g., Price-1. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, prow
- Macedonia, Lifetime, 17.09g., Price-12. Obv: Head of young Herakles r.

- wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, kantharos in I.
- Head of Herakles right, wearing lion skin, Rx: Zeus seated left; bucranium in left
- Macedonia, c. 320-317 BC, 17.04g., Price-132. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, wreath in I. field,
- Amphipolis, c. 315-294 BC, 17.11g., Price-461. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, torch below  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}\,$  in
- wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, M monograms in
- Sardes, c. 319-315 BC, 17.03g., Price-2645. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, star in I. field, A below throne. VF.......875
- 100. MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Tetradrachm, Sardes, c. 319-315 BC, 16.97g., Price-2667. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, star in I. field, monogram
- wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, Nike flying right, Θ, caduceus below in I. field; E monogram under throne. Obverse in high relief.
- MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Tetradrachm, Uncertain of Southern Asia Minor, c. 320-280 BC, 17.03g., Price-3064. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and
- Mint State .....
- wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, monograms in I. field and below throne. Very beautiful lifetime issue. Rare mint. Mint State 1500
- 105. MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Tetradrachm, Ake Mint, Year 9=307/6 BC, 17.21g., Price-3299 (same obv. die). Obv: Alexander as Herakles r. in lionskin headdress; Rx: Zeus seated left holding eagle in outstretched right hand, his left hand holds a scepter, Phoenician letters and date in lower I. field. This coin is a very good style for a product of the Ake mint. Toned Near Mint State......
- 106. MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Tetradrachm, Ake Mint, Year 34=313/2 BC, 17.11g., Price-3287. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, date in I. field.
- Aradus, c. 328-320 BC, 17.17g., Price-3332. Obv. Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, caduceus in I. field, monogram under throne. VF......450
- 108. MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Tetradrachm, Berytus, c. 323-320 BC, 17.16g., Price-3420. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, OI below throne. Scarce mint. The mint initial B in the left field of the reverse cannot be read on this example. Good VF......
- Byblos, c. 330-320 BC, 17.13g., Price-3424. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, monogram in I. field. Nicely stylized head. Appears almost Celtic, however is certainly struck at
- c. 330-320 BC, 17.17g., Price-3424. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, monogram in I. field. Obverse struck in high relief. Countermark on cheek of Alexander. Some isolated
- MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Tetradrachm, Byblos, c. 330-320 BC, 16.99g., Price-3424. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, monogram in I. field. Struck in extremely high relief on both obverse and reverse. An absolutely
- Year 21=313-312 BC, 17.10g., Price-3510. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter,  $\Phi$  in I. field;  $\Sigma$ I
- Uncertain of Phoenicia or Syria, c. 323-317 BC, 16.82g., Price-3568. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, wreath in I. field,  $\Sigma I$  below throne. VF......850
- MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Tetradrachm, Babylon, c. 325-323 BC, 17.18g., Price-3620. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, bee in I. field, monogram over M below throne. One would assume that the tetradrachms of Babylon struck during Alexander's lifetime were made from the treasure of Persepolis that Alexander captured when he defeated Darius. These coins were

- 118. MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Tetradrachm, Babylon, c. 317-311 BC, 17.10g., Price-3704. Obv: Alexander as Heracles r. in lion skin headdress; Rx: Zeus seated left holding eagle in outstretched right hand, his left hand holds a scepter. MP symbol in wreath in left field and H symbol below throne. Truly beautiful high relief portrait of Alexander. Near Mint State

- 121. MACEDONIA, ALEXANDER III THE GREAT; 336-323 BC, Drachm, Chios, c. 290-265 BC, 4.16g., Unpublished. Rx: Symbol: "M" with bar across top in circle. Mint State 400

- 125. MACEDONIA, PHILIP III; 323-317 BC, Tetradrachm, Uncertain East, c. 323-300 BC, 17.42g., Price-P226. Obv: Head of young Herakles r. wearing lionskin. Rx: Zeus seated I. holding eagle and scepter, monogram in I. field. Mint State..950

- 128. THRACE, MARONEIA; Tetrobol, 495-445 BC, 1.62g., Grose-3942. Obv. Forepart of horse within dotted border, Rx: Four-part incuse square. High relief. FF
- 129. THRACE, MARONEIA; Tetradrachm, c. 400-350 BC, 10.94g., SNG Cop-610. Obv: Free-running horse right. Rx: Grape vine in square framed by magistrate's name, "Under Euxithemios". Beautiful horse on obverse. VF.......1350
- 130. THRACE, THASOS; Stater, Fifth Century BC, 9.26g., BM-2, Sear-1746 var. Obv: Satyr kneeling r. and carrying off nymph, both figures have long hair indicated by dots, Rx: Mill sail incuse. Ex Coin Galleries MBS, 13 November 1985, lot 321.
- 132. TAURIC CHERSONESE, PANTICAPAEUM; Drachm, 380-304/303 BC, 2.62g., MacDonald-42 (this coin). Obv: Bearded Satyr 3/4 facing. Rx: Lion attacking stag. Ex Giessener Münzhandling 100, 20 Nov. 1999, 1015. Quite rare and extremely interesting with a 3/4 facing head of a satyr on the obverse and a lion attacking a stag on the reverse. Good VF.

- 136. THRACE, CHERRONESOS; Hemidrachm, c. 350-300 BC, 2.34g., BM-13, Grose-4082. Obv: Forepart of lion r., head turned back. Rx: Quadipartite incuse square, pellet in one quadrant, ivy leaf in another. EF.......275
- 137. THRACE, CHERRONESOS; Hemidrachm, c. 350-300 BC, 2.48g., BM-8, SNG Cop-824. Obv: Forepart of lion r., head turned back. Rx: Quadipartite incuse

- THRACE, ISTROS; Stater, 4th Century BC, 4.88g., SNG BM-253. Obv: Two male heads facing, one upside-down. Rx: Eagle on dolphin I. Mint State.....475

- 144. BOEOTIA, THEBES; Hemidrachm, c. 480-456 BC, 2.52g., SNG Cop-262 (same dies). Obv: Boeotian shield, Rx: Amphora in incuse square. Good VF.......300
- BOEOTIA, TANAGRA; Obol, 387-374 BC, 0.91g., SNG Cop-231. Obv: Boeotian shield. Rx: Forepart of horse r., TA below. EF/VF ......300
- 146. EUBOIA, ERETRIA; Drachm, c. 289-279 BC, 3.68g., Wallace-125 (this coin). Obv: Head of the nymph Euboea left, her hair rolled. Rev. Protome of cow right, head facing and draped with a fillet; to right, satyr's head. VF.......650
- 147. EUBOIA, HISTIAIA; Tetrobol, 196-146 BC, 2.36g., BM-42. Obv: Head of nymph Histiaea wearing wreath formed of bunches of grapes, Rx: Nymph Histiaea seated r. on stern of galley holding a mast with cross-piece. EF ......225 Exceptional Early Athens
- 148. ATTIC, ATHENS; Tetradrachm, 510-490 BC, 17.53g., Seltman-349, Tf. 16 (A230/ P294); Pozzi-1530. Obv: Helmeted head of Athena r., hair on forehead and back of neck made up of numerous dots; Rx: Owl standing r., head front, to I. olive sprig with two leaves, to r. AΘE. Ex M&M List 371, September 1975, 2. Even though the top of the helmet is off of the flan, the complete face and the hair emerging below the helmet are distinctly shown. Athena has a pleasant archaic smile. The reverse of this coin is one of the best that we've seen in a great many years. Perfectly struck, with a minimum of wear. A pert, chubby little owl looks directly at us. Hopefully he doesn't think we're a mouse. This is an truly amazing coin. EF/Choice EF

- 151. ATTIC, ATHENS; Tetradrachm, c. 440 BC, 17.17g. Obv: Head of Athena r.; three small upright olive leaves on front edge of Attic helmet; beaded necklace; Rx: Owl leaning r.; olive twig with two leaves and crescent moon beneath; ethnic in r. field. Obverse struck in high relief. EF......2950

- 154. ATTIC, ATHENS; New Style Tetradrachm, 119/8 BC, 16.69g., Thompson-620 var. Obv: Helmeted Athena r., Rx: Owl on amphora, Apollo Delios right. VF
- 156. ATTIC, AEGINA; Stater, c. 440 BC, 12.06g., Milbank-Pl. II, 13; ACGC-127. Obv: Land turtle; Rx: Very shallow square incuse, divided by broad bands into a conventional pattern of five compartments. Banker's mark at the highest point of the shell, which is struck in very high relief. Pleasantly toned. EF.......4000
- 157. CORINTHIA, CORINTH; Stater, circa. 400-375 BC, 8.54g., Pegasi I 222, BCD Corinth 63. Obv: Pegasus, Rx: Helmeted head of Athena with serpent to left. Beautifully centered Corinthian stater of fine transitional style. EF......1450

- 160. PONTIC, MITHRADATES VI EUPATOR; 120-63 BC, Tetradrachm, Pergamum, Dated year 222, month 8 = May 75 BC, 16.79g., De Callatay p. 19 (D29/R4, our

- coin listed as specimen a), RG p.19, BM-40. Obv: Diademed head of Mithradates right, Rx: Stag grazing left; star in crescent to left, all within Dionysiac wreath of ivy and fruit. Ex Kastner VI, 26 November 1974, lot 63. This coin bears a strong portrait of the man who represented one of the most dangerous challenges to the Roman empire. This coin dated to the month and year is quite remarkable as is
- 1481. Obv: Head of Nymph. Rx: Eagle on dolphin. Dolphin's and eagle's heads
- pl. clxxviii, 16; BM-124. Obv: ΣΩΤΕΙΡΑ, head of Kore Soteira left, wearing ampyx, pendant earring, and necklace with pendant, hair wreathed with grain and wrapped in diaphanous veil; Rx: KY-HI, head of roaring lion left, tunny fish left below, behind bull's head and neck three-quarters right. Flatly struck at highest point of obverse, otherwise VF/aEF......875
- 163. MYRINA; Tetradrachm, After 190 BC, 16.53g., Grose-7946. Obv: Apollo of Grynium. Rx: Apollo holding patera in hand with laurel branch in other hand; below omphalos and amphora all in laurel wreath. Mint State......1500
- 164. LYCIA, UNCERTAIN DYNASTY; Stater, c. 460-440 BC, 9.53g., Cf. SNG Aulock-8468 var. (larger crab, no water bird and stylistically varied sphinx); SNG Copenhagen Supplement-398; M&M Auction 33, 23/24 June 1983, lot 320 (same reverse die). Obv: Winged Sphinx left; Rx: Crab with water bird superimposed on the body. All within incuse square. Extremely rare type. Appears to be second recorded speciman, the first being in an M&M auction in 1983. This is an extremely remarkable coin, not only for the seated sphinx on the obverse, also the water bird that is superimposed on the crab within the incuse reverse.
- 165. CILICIA, TARSUS, DATAMES, SATRAP OF CILICIA AND CAPPODOCIA; 378-372 BC, Stater, 10.06g., SNG Paris-298 var. (bird under throne); SNG Levante-84 var. (no script on left side rx); Traite-pl.CIX, 10 var. (no script on outer I. side of flan). Obv: Baaltars seated r., torso facing, holding grain ear, grape-bunch, and eagle-tipped scepter; thymiaterion to r., all within crenellated wall; Rx: Ana, nude, facing Datames; thymiaterion between; all within square dotted border in linear border; script before Datames and behind Ana. Head of Baal flatly struck, otherwise Mint State
- Pozzi-2846, BM-17, Babelon II-596. Obv: Facing Arethusa, Rx: Ares helmeted right. Some areas of erosion on nose of Ares, otherwise EF......850
- CILICIA, TARSUS, MAZAIUS; Stater, 361-334 BC, 10.73g., SNG Paris-103 var. (lower right symbol missing on their specimen). Obv: Baal of Tarsus seated holding eagle, wheat ear and bunch of grapes in r. hand and scepter in I.; symbol below throne; Rx: Lion attacking bull, MZDI (Mazaios) written above. Near Mint
- of Kaunos," in Essays Price-99bis, Period IV, pl. 49 (same dies). Obv: Iris with curved wings, in a kneeling running position I., wearing long kiton and holding caduceus and wreath in outstretched hands; Rx: Incuse square with conical baetyl, bunch of grapes on I. and r., V symbol in center of baetyl, above;  $\Delta\Gamma$

#### Earliest issue of Rhodes

- 169. CARIA, RHODES; Chian Weight Tetradrachm, 408/7-404 BC, 14.72g., Berend-1-6, Ashton-3-4. Rx: Scallop shell/Pecten symbol. One of the earliest coins of Rhodes struck in the first four years of the founding of the city. While Berend regarded this as the first issue of Rhodes, Ashton classified it as the third symbol used on the first group of coins issued by Rhodes. Either way, it is one of the first 15 coins struck by Rhodes with tens of thousands of tetradrachms to follow. aEF....
- 170. CARIA, RHODES; Tetradrachm, c. 400-350 BC, 15.17g., BM-, SNG Aulock-, D. Berend SNR 51 (1972)-p. 23, 71. Obv: Head of Helios facing 3/4 r.; Rx: Rose with small bud to left;  $\Phi$  and torch to right; all within incuse square. Ex Lanz Auction, April 1978, lot 107, ex Bank Leu. Struck in high relief. Toned EF...9750 LYDIA, CROESUS; Siglos, 565-546 BC, 5.30g., 100 Greatest Ancient Coins
- Berk-23. VF ....
- TESTFEDIIUS. This is a remarkably good example of this early issue. Usually the dies of the wrestlers tripping are extremely worn. Two countermarks, one on
- Aul-4567. Obv: Al in field between wrestlers; Rx:Slinger, triskeles in field. Near Mint State.
- PISIDIA, SELGE; Stater, c. 300-190 BC, 9.13g., SNG Aul-5274. between two wrestlers holding each other's arms. Rx: Slinger standing r., before him triskeles, cornucopia and club. Ex Harlan J. Berk Ltd., Buy or Bid Sale 38, 1985, 143. Somewhat weakly struck, however EF......400
- PHOENICIA, TYRE; 1/4 Shekel, c.450-410 BC, 3.01g., Elayi & Lemaireseries A, 1st group; cf. Bettyon-4 ("half shekel"); Rouvier-1779; BMC-; SNG Copenhagen-; Boston MFA-317. Obv: Dolphin right, murex shell on its body (not visible on our piece); Phoenician letters above, waves below. Rx: Owl standing right, head facing; crook and flail over shoulder; all within incuse square. The dolphin/owl is among the earliest coins known from Tyre. Particularly interesting is the Phoenician script written above the dolphin. It has been hypothesized that this refers to the denomination. Rare, early issue of Tyre. Reverse somewhat weakly struck. VF ...
- PHOENICIA, TYRE; Shekel, 100-99 BC, 14.19g., BM-226. Obv: Laureate head of Melgart r., Rx: Eagle I. with palm branch on shoulder. Toned. Good VF .... 875
- 178. PHOENICIA, BYBLOS, ADDIRMILK; 360-350 BC, Dishekel, 13.31g., SNG

- Fitzwilliam-6031. Obv: Phoenician inscription, three hoplites with shields in war galley left with roaring lion's head on prow, below hippocamp left above murex shell, Rx: Phoenician inscription 'drmlk mlk gbl (Addirmilk, king of Byblus), lion left
- 4.24g., SC-1908.4. Obv: Diademed head of Demetrius II r. Rx: Apollo seated I. on omphalos, holding arrow in r. hand and bow in I.; to I., monogram, H $\Xi P$  in exergue. Rather complete portrait but struck left of center on the flan, otherwise
- 1927.1. Obv: Diademed head of Demetrius r., dotted border; Rx: Vertical anchor, flukes upward, flower to I. of anchor. aEF/EF......1000
- 181. SYRIA, ANTIOCHUS VI; c. 144-142 BC, Drachm, Antioch, Year 170 = 143/2 BC, 4.06g., SC-2002.2e; SMA-248. Obv: Diademed radiate head of Antiochus VI r., dotted border; Rx: Nude Apollo seated I. on omphalos, holding arrow in r. hand and resting I. on bow; in exergue, OPSTA; monogram between Apollo's legs.
- SYRIA, ANTIOCHUS EUERGETES; 138-129 AD, Tetradrachm, Antioch, 16.53g., Seleucid Coins-2061.4b. Obv: Diademed head right; Rx: BASILEWS ANTIOXOY EYEPGETOY; Athena standing left holding spear and with outstretched arm holding Nike; monogram above Ain left field; small Phi in right field. VF......450
- JERUSALEM SHEKEL TYPE; Half Shekel, 12/11 BC, 6.70g., BM-235, RPC-Obv: Laureate head of Melqart r. Rx: Eagle I. with palm branch on shoulder; KP behind. Fine.....
- JUDAEA, YEHUD COIN UNDER PERSIAN RULE; Hemiobol, Before 333 BCE, 0.37g., Hendin-427. Obv: Lily. Rx: Falcon with wings spread, head r.; traces of Hebrew inscription YHD at upper r. Beautifully struck. Well-centered. Choice
- JUDAEA, YEHUD COIN UNDER PERSIAN RULE; Hemiobol, Before 333 BCE, 0.21g., Hendin-429, Meshorer AJC I-9b, TJC-16d. Obv: Head of Persian king wearing kidaris (crown) facing r., mostly lost to damage; Rx: Falcon with spread wings, head facing I., traces of inscription on right. Uniface eagle side. VF..400
- JUDAEA, YEHUD COIN; Quarter-obol, After 333 BC, 0.17g., Hendin-438, Meshorer-16. Obv: Head r. Rx: Eagle standing half-left with spread wings; Hebrew inscription to I., YHDH - Yehudah. Good legend on reverse. VG/VF 750
- JUDAEA, THE BAR KOKHBA WAR; Denarius, Undated Year 3, 132-135 CE, 3.14g., Mildenberg-132. Obv: "Simon" within a wreath. Rx: Fluted jug with handle at left, Hebrew written around jug "For the freedom of Jerusalem".
- around bunch of grapes; Rx: "For the Freedom of Jerusalem", written around two trumpets. Significant undertyping. Mint State.....
- 189. PARTHIA, ORODES II; 57-38 BC, Drachm, 4.06g., Sellwood 48.6. Obv: Bust I. with short beard, wearing diadem; star before, crescent over star behind. Rx: Archer seated r. on throne, holding bow, anchor (?) behind. Mint State ......200
- 190. PARTHIA, PHRAATES IV; 38-2 BC, Drachm, 4.01g., Sellwood-52.11, Shore-279. Obv: Bust of king I., eagle crowning him behind. Rx: Archer seated r. EF .....250
- PARTHIA, VONONES I; 8-12 AD, Drachm, 3.69g., Sellwood-60.5, Shore-329. Obv: Bare-headed bust I., with medium beard. Rx: Nike standing r., holding palm
- Shore-415. Obverse: Bust I., with long beard and wearing diadem. Rx: Archer seated r. on throne, monogram below. Mint State.....
- PTOLEMY II; 285-246 BC, Drachm, Alexandria, 3.32g., Svoronos-585, SNG Cop-111. Obv: Diademed head of Ptolemy I r. Rx: Eagle with raised wings standing I. on thunderbolt; monogram and shield in I. field, O between eagle's legs. Rare. Some obverse corrosion, otherwise Fine.......400
- 194. PTOLEMY II; 285-246 BC, Tetradrachm, Sidon, c. 266/265 BC, 14.13g., Svoronos-713, SNG Cop-506. Obv: Diademed head of Ptolemy I r. Rx: Eagle with closed wings standing I. on thunderbolt, sigma I in I. field. Ex Coin Galleries, 14 Feb. 1996, 160. Good VF.....
- 195. **BERENICE I**; Didrachm, c. 277-261 BC (time of Magas), 7.10g., Svoronos-318, SNG Cop-429. Obv: Diademed head r. of Berenice I; dotted border; Rx: Knotted club downwards within wreath of apple; BEPENIKH $\Sigma$  BA $\Sigma$ I $\Lambda$ I $\Sigma\Sigma$ H $\Sigma$ , in left field,
- PY monogram; in right field, trident. Unusually nice portrait. aEF...............1750
  196. PTOLEMY XII; 80-51 BC, Tetradrachm, 13.28g., SNG Cop-381, Sv-1855.

### Important Nabatean Rarity

- 197. NABATAEA, SYLLAEUS; 1/4 Drachm, c. 9 BC, 1.02g., Meshorer-Sup 4; "Coinage of Caravan Kingdoms", Beirut 2005-37; Schmitt-Korte & Price,"Nabataean Coinage III", NC 1994, pl. 10. Obv: Diademed head of Obodas III r. within dotted border, in left field, monogram. Rx: Wreath; within, Nabataean letters h and š (for
- 198. **ANONYMOUS**; Denarius, from 211 BC, 3.93g., Cr-44/5. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., ROMA partly incuse on tablet. Slightly doublestruck. Slight granularity, otherwise Mint State......290
- ANONYMOUS; Denarius, from 211 BC, 4.16g., Cr-44/5. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., ROMA partly incuse on tablet. Slight soft strike, otherwise EF.....
- ANONYMOUS; Denarius, from 211 BC, 3.88g., Cr-44/5. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., ROMA in linear frame. Slight granularity,
- ANONYMOUS; Sestertius, from 211 BC, 0.98g., Cr-44/7. Obv: Head of Roma r., IIS behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., ROMA in exergue. aVF/Fine......225
- ANONYMOUS; Quinarius, from 211 BC, 2.17g., Cr-44/6. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., V behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., ROMA in linear frame below. VF..225
- ANONYMOUS; Sestertius, from 211 BC, 0.83g., Cr-44/7. Obv: Head of Roma r., IIS behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., ROMA in exergue. VF......300
- ANONYMOUS; Quinarius, Uncertain Mint, after 211 BC, 1.94g., Cr-45/2. Obv: Head of Roma r., V behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., ROMA in linear frame. Very scarce.

- Chipped at 9 o'clock, otherwise VF..... ANONYMOUS; Denarius, after 211 BC, 3.41g., Cr-53/2. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., ROMA in linear frame. Mint State.400 Seldom Seen Early Brockage 207. ANONYMOUS, BROCKAGE; Denarius, after 211 BC, 4.17g., Cr-53/2. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Same, incuse. Brockages of the earliest denarii are seldom encountered. EF..... 208. ANONYMOUS; Denarius, after 211 BC, 2.70g., Cr-53/2. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., ROM[A] in linear frame. Remarkably underweight, the lightest we have ever handled. The specific gravity is 10.346 (=good silver), so there is no possibility the coin is plated. The style is normal. For now this must remain an interesting but unexplained anomaly. Light X graffito before face, otherwise Mint State......350 ANONYMOUS: CRESCENT; Denarius, 207 BC, 4.33g., Cr-57/2. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., crescent above horses; ROMA in linear frame. Mint State .. 210. ANONYMOUS: CORNUCOPIAE; Denarius, 207 BC, 3.66g., Cr-58/2, Syd-216. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., cornucopia below horses; ROMA in linear frame. Slight granularity. EF......375 211. ANONYMOUS: CADUCEUS; Central Italian Mint, Denarius, 211-208 BC, 4.33g., Cr-60/1a. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., caduceus below horses; ROMA in linear frame. A few surface marks, otherwise **Very Scarce Victory Symbol** 212. ANONYMOUS: VICTORY; Denarius, 211-208 BC, 3.83g., Cr-61/1, Syd-147. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Victory crowning Dioscuri r., ROMA in linear frame. Very scarce. Light corrosion and minor stains behind horse's tail, otherwise EF ..... 213. ANONYMOUS; Quinarius, Sicily, 211-208 BC, 1.77g., Cr-68/2b. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., V behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., ROMA in linear frame below. In style of the Sicilian issue marked with grain ear. Some weak striking on reverse, 201. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., branch behind, X under chin . Rx: Dioscuri riding r., ROMA in exergue. Slight granularity, otherwise Mint State..... ANONYMOUS: WHEEL; Denarius, Sicily?, 209-208 BC, 4.01g., Cr-79/1, Syd-519. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., 6-spoked wheel below horses; ROMA in exergue. This is the first serrated denarius issued by Rome. Slight granularity, otherwise Mint State......600 217. ANONYMOUS: WHEEL; Denarius, Sicily?, 209-208 BC, 3.93g., Cr-79/1, Syd-519. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., 6-spoked wheel below horses; ROMA in exergue. This is the first serrated denarius issued by Rome. Mint State......600 Very Rare and Sought After ROMA Monogram 218. ANONYMOUS: ROMA IN LIGATURE; Quinarius, 211-210 BC, 1.72g., Cr-84/2, Syd-188 (R7). Obv: Head of Roma r., V behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., ROMA
  - monogram below horses, ROMA in exergue. Rare; R7 in Sydenham. Minor area
  - Head of Roma r., V behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., H below horses, ROMA in linear ANONYMOUS: H; Quinarius, 211-210 BC, 1.72g., Cr-85/1b, Syd-174a. Obv:
- Head of Roma r., V behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., H behind horses, ROMA in ex. Very scarce with H behind horses. Area of weak strike. Light crack before face, othérwise aEF.
- 221. ANONYMOUS: SPEAR-HEAD TO R.; Denarius, 209 BC, 4.25g., Cr-88/2b, Syd-222. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., spearhead to r. below horses; ROMA in exergue. Light granularity, otherwise almost Mint State......
- ANONYMOUS: SPEAR-HEAD TO R.; Denarius, 209 BC, 2.93g., Cr-88/2b, Syd-222. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., spearhead to r. below horses; ROMA in exergue. Underweight specimen. Light
- Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., club below horses;
- (R5). Obv: Head of Roma r., V behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., L below horses, ROMA
- (R5). Obv: Head of Roma r., V behind, L below neck. Rx: Dioscuri r., ROMA in
- r., V behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., ROMA in exergue. In style of issue marked with Q. A bit granular and weakly struck. VF.....
- 227. ANONYMOUS: MT IN LIGATURE; Quinarius, 211-210 BC, 1.73g., Cr-103/2a. Obv: Head of Roma r., V behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., MT monogram below horses, ROMA in exergue. VF ......200
- ANONYMOUS: STAFF; Denarius, Etruria, 208 BC, 3.92g., Cr-106/3b. Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., staff below horses; ROMA in linear frame. Scarce. Granular surface. VF ......275
- ANONYMOUS: WREATH; Denarius, 211-208 BC, 3.32g., Cr-110/1a, Syd-278. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., cornucopia below horses; ROMA in linear frame. Very scarce. Granular surface. EF.....350
- ANONYMOUS: STAR; Denarius, 206-195 BC, 3.68g., Cr-113/1, Syd-263. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., star below horses;

- ROMA in linear frame. Light stain above head. Near Mint State...... 231. ANONYMOUS: ROSTRUM TRIDENS; Denarius, 206-195 BC, 3.63g., Cr-114/1, Syd-244. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., rostrum tridens below horses; below, ROMA in linear frame. Mint State ......650
- Superb Quality 232. ANONYMOUS: RUDDER; Denarius, 206-195 BC, 4.01g., Cr-117A/1, Syd-261. Obv: Head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri r., rudder below, ROMA in exergue.
- Syd-291. Obv: Helmeted head of Roma r., X behind. Rx: Dioscuri riding r., MA monogram below horses; below, ROMA in exergue. Mint State ......700
- 234. M. MARCIUS; Denarius, 134 BC, 3.96g., Cr-245/1, Syd-500, Marcia 8. Obv: Head of Roma r., star below chin, modius behind. Rx: Victory in biga r., M MAR C / RO MA below divided by two ears of wheat. Planchet flaw behind helmet of
- Head of Roma r., P LAECA behind. Rx: Roman warrior standing I., placing hand on head of citizen, lictor behind, [PR]OVO[CO] in exergue. PROVOCO refers to the Lex Porcia de Provocatione. Very nicely toned. Choice /VF, minor area of weak strike ......550
- 240. L. CAECILIUS METELLUS; Denarius, 96 BC, 4.01g., Cr-335/1b, Syd-611a, Caecilia 45. Obv: Head of Apollo r., star below, [L] METEL behind, A ALB SF before. Rx: Roma std. I. on pile of shields; Victory stds. behind, crowning her; C MALL on I., ROM[A] in exergue. Toned EF .......350 **Scarce Social War**
- 241. THE SOCIAL WAR. COINAGE OF THE MARSIC CONFEDERATION; Denarius, 89 BC, Bovianum Mint, 3.86g., Campana-143, Syd-627. Obv: Laureate head of Italia I., Oscan inscription behind. Rx: Soldier standing facing, head r.; to r., steer lying facing; retrograde N in exergue. Deep scratches running along the spear
- Kneeling figure holding camel by reins and olive branch. The reverse apparently refers to the surrender of a Jewish ruler during Pompey's campaigns in the east.
- 244. POMPEY THE GREAT; Struck by his son Cnaeus Pompey in Spain, Denarius,
- 245. JULIUS CAESAR; Died 44 BC, Denarius, Mint moving with Caesar, 48-47 BC, 3.69g., Cr-452/2, Syd-1009, Sear Imperators-11. Obv: Head of Venus r., LII behind. Rx: CAESAR below trophy of Gallic arms. The LII may indicate Caesar's age (52) when these coins were struck. Fine+......400
- **Hellenistic Style Portrait** 246. JULIUS CAESAR, MONEYER L. FLAMINIUS CHILO; Died March 15, 44 BC, Denarius,, Rome, 43 BC, 3.79g., Cr-485/1, Syd-1089 (R5), C-26 (15 Fr.); Sear, Imperators-113. Obv: Wreathed head of Caesar r., without legend. Rx: L FLAMINIVS IIII VIR Venus standing I., head bowed, holding caduceus and scepter. Great Hellenistic style portrait of Caesar. Choice VF, reverse flatly struck..... ......9000
- Q. Labienus 247. Q. LABIENUS; 40 BC, Denarius, Eastern military mint, 3.67g., Cr-524/2, Syd-1357 (R9), C-2 (600 Fr.); Sear, Imperators-341. Obv: Q LABIENVS PARTHICVS IMP Head r. Rx: Parthian horse standing r. with bridle and saddle, to which bow-case and quiver are attached. A great rarity: C. Hersh, Coinage of Quintus Labienus Parthicus, Schw. Num. Rundschau 59, 1980, records only 34 specimens of this denarius, struck from eight obverse and twenty reverse dies. Our piece is from Hersh's obverse die C and reverse die 3.. Corroded. Slight
- ROMAN IMPERIAL SILVER 248. **AUGUSTUS**; 27 BC-14 AD, Denarius, 19-15 BC, 3.68g., BM-665, Paris-1098, C-182 (6 Fr.), RIC-56. Obv. AVGVST[VS] Head bare r. Rx: IOVI - [OLVM] Sixcolumned temple, shield in pediment, three palmettes as acroteria. Probably from the same obverse die as Leu 7, 9 May 1973, 320 = Sutherland, Deniers augustéens au types du "Temple"..., Rev. num. 1974, p. 51, pl. III.14. Very rare.

bend at 3 o'clock on reverse, but genuine and extremely rare. VG ......8000

- Cordoba), c. 19-15 BC, 3.84g., BM-378, Paris-1154, C-208 (5 Fr.), RIC-77a. Obv: AVGVSTVS - CAESAR Head bare r. Rx: OB / CIVIS / SERVATOS in three
- X Bull butting r., pawing ground and flicking tail. Some surface erosion. VG/
- Paris-1693 pl. LXVII (same rev. die), C-223 (50 Fr.), RIC-220 (R2); Giard, Lyon-94 (4 spec.). Obv: CAESAR AVGVSTVS DIVI F PATER PATRIAE, Augustus, head laureate, r.; Rx: PONTIF MAXIM Livia seated r. holding branch and scepter. The standard reverse type of Tiberius' reign, but very rare for Augustus. This is the very rare last issue of Augustus that became the model for the Tiberius Tribute Pennies, which of course depicted Tiberius's mother seated on the
- branch, throne legs ornamented, footstool below feet, single line beneath throne.
- TIBERIUS TRIBUTE PENNY; 14-37 AD, Denarius, Lugdunum, 3.68g., BM-48, Paris-28, RIC-30, C-16. Obv: TI CAESAR DIVI - AVG F AVGVSTVS Head

- laureate r.; Rx: PONTIF MAXIM Livia seated r. holding scepter and branch, throne legs ornamented, footstool below feet, single line beneath throne. EF.........500
- 254. TIBERIUS TRIBUTE PENNY; 14-37 AD, Denarius, Lugdunum, 3.58g., BM-48, Paris-28, RIC-30, C-16. Obv: TI CAESAR DIVI AVG F AVGVSTVS Head laureate r.; Rx: PONTIF MAXIM Livia seated r. holding scepter and branch, throne legs ornamented, footstool below feet, single line beneath throne. VF.........485
- 255. TIBERIUS TRIBUTE PENNY; 14-37 AD, Denarius, Lugdunum, 3.26g., BM-48, Paris-28, RIC-30, C-16. Obv: TI CAESAR DIVI AVG F AVGVSTVS Head laureate r. Rx: PONTIF MAXIM Livia seated r. holding scepter and branch, throne legs ornamented, footstool below feet, single line beneath throne. VF........410

- 260. VESPASIAN; 69-79 AD, Denarius, Ephesus, 71 AD, 3.51g., RIC-1431 (C), BM-457, Paris-352, C-276 (20 Fr.), RPC-833 (26 spec.). Obv: IMP CAESAR VESPAS AVG COS III TR P P P Head laureate r. Rx: PACI \_AVGVSTAE Victory advancing r. holding wreath and palm, EPHE in lower r. field. Rare. Near Mint State
- 262. TITUS; 79-81 AD, Denarius, Rome, 80 AD, 3.24g., RIC-102 (C), BM-37, Paris-34, C-306 (3 Fr.), Hendin-788 as Judaea Capta. Obv: IMP TITVS CAES VESPASIAN AVG P M Head laureate r. Rx: TR P IX IMP XV COS VIII P P Trophy with two captives sitting at its base: a female seated l. in attituude of mourning, a male seated r. with hands bound behind back. Fine.

- 269. TRAJAN; 98-117 AD, Denarius, Rome, c. 107-11 AD, 3.24g., BM-395, Paris-266, C-136 (5 Fr.), RIC-100. Rx: DANVVIVS COS V S P Q R OPTIMO PRINC Danube reclining I., head r., cloak billowing over head, r. hand on ship's prow. Scarce: 18 specimens in Reka Devnia hoard. Fine. 290

- 272. HADRIAN; 117-138 AD, Denarius, Rome, 118 AD, 3.23g., Unpublished variant of BM-88, Strack-41, C-147, and RIC-47. Obv: IMP CAESAR TRAIAN HADRIANVS AVG Laureate bust r. with bare chest, fold of cloak on front shoulder. Rx: VOT PVB across field, PM TR P COS II around, Pietas standing left raising both hands in prayer. This is a well-known reverse type of 118-9 AD, occurring with the titles COS II as on our coin, and also with COS DES III and COS III. However, all published examples of the type show Pietas standing RIGHT, raising both hands

- in prayer; our coin with Pietas standing LEFT seems to be unlisted. EF.....2000 273. **HADRIAN**; 117-138 AD, Denarius, Rome, 119 AD, 3.34g., BM-268, C-601, RIC-121. Obv. Bust laureate r. with bare chest, fold of cloak on I. shoulder. Rx: FELIC AVG P M TR P COS III Felicitas standing I. holding short caduceus and cornucopia. Scarce: 20 specimens in Reka Devnia hoard, two in Berk photofile.

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- 276. HADRIAN; 117-138 AD, Denarius, Rome, c. 131-8 AD, 3.54g., BM-757, C-1454, RIC-282. Obv: Head bare r. Rx: VICTORIA AVG Victory-Nemesis advancing r. drawing out fold of dress from breast and holding branch. Mint State ...........750
- 277. HADRIAN; 117-138 AD, Denarius, Rome, c. 131-8 AD, 3.25g., BM-761, C-1455, RIC-282. Obv: Head laureate r. Rx: VICTORIA AVG Victory-Nemesis advancing r. drawing out fold of dress from breast and holding branch. Mint State .......750
- 279. ANTONINUS PIUS; 138-161 AD, Denarius, Rome, c. July-Dec. 138 AD, 3.29g., BM-9 note, RSC-68b, RIC-7 var.. Obv: HADRI in legend, Bust laureate r. with fold of cloak on I. shoulder and behind neck. Rx: AVG PIVS P M TR P COS DES II Diana standing r. holding arrow and bow. Unusual reverse type, rare with this bust type on obverse: only one specimen in Reka Devnia hoard, which is also the coin cited by BMC. Good VF.

- 282. ANTONINUS PIUS; 138-161 AD, Denarius, Rome, 149-50 AD, 3.34g., BM-661, C-218, RIC-180. Obv: TR P XII. Rx: COS IIII Bonus Eventus standing I. holding patera and wheat ears. Toned Mint State......550
- 284. DIVA FAUSTINA I; Died 141 AD, Denarius, Rome, 3.66g., BM-345, C-26, RIC-344. Obv: DIVA FAVSTINA bust draped r. Rx: AETERNITAS Juno standing r., head I., veiled, raising r. hand and holding scepter in I. Mint State .......550
- 285. DIVA FAUSTINA I; Died 141 AD, Denarius, Rome, 3.33g., BM-417, RSC-101a, RIC-361. Obv: DIVA FAV STINA Bust draped r. Rx: AVGVSTA Ceres standing I. raising r. hand and holding long, lighted torch in I. Mint State .......550

- 289. LUCILLA, WIFE OF LUCIUS VERUS; , Rome, 3.11g., BM-353, C-89, RIC-786.
  Obv: LVCILLA AVGVSTA Bust draped r. Rx: VENVS VICTRIX Venus standing
  I. holding Victory and resting I. hand on shield set on ground. Flan crack at 3
  o'clock otherwise Near Mint State
  400

- 299. PERTINAX; 193 AD, Denarius, Rome, 3.24g., BM-8, C-20 (50 Fr.), RIC-4a (R2). Obv: IMP CAES P HELV PERTIN AVG Head laureate r. Rx: LAETITIA TEMPOR COS II Laetitia standing I. holding wreath and scepter. Good VF1750
- 300. CLODIUS ALBINUS AS CAESAR; 193-195 AD, Denarius, Rome, 194 AD, 3.18g., BM-45, C-61 (12 Fr.), RIC-11b. Obv: D CLO[D SEPT] ALBIN CAES Head bare r. Rx: ROMAE AE[TERN]AE Roma seated I. above shield, holding Palladium and spear. VF/Fine.......500
- 301. SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS; 193-211 AD, Denarius, Rome, 195 AD, 3.29g., BM-124, C-391, RIC-68. Obv: IMP VII. Rx: P M TR P III COS II P P Minerva standing I. holding spear and shield. The reverse shows the Palladium, the archaic statue of Minerva purportedly rescued from Troy and brought to Italy by Aeneas.

- 308. JULIA DOMNA; Denarius, Eastern Mint, 194 AD, 3.31g., BM-415/416 pl. 18.1/2 (same dies), C-52 (Hoffmann, 15 Fr.), RIC-619 (R). Obv: IVLIA DOMNA AVG Bust draped r. Rx: FELICIT TEMPOR.. Basket of fruit and grain with three bunches of grapes hanging down from its upper rim. One of the rarest reverse types of Julia's old-style Eastern denarii, which are rare as a class. Fine ....225

- 314. MACRINUS; 217-218 AD, Denarius, Rome, 217 AD, 2.22g., Glasgow-3, pl. 32.1 (same dies); a similar Vienna specimen is misdescribed by BMC-29A note, RIC-3 note, and RSC-54a. Obv: IMP C M OPEL SEV MACRINVS AVG Bust laureate, cuirassed r., seen from front, beard short. Rx: PONT MAX TR P Fides standing l. holding standard in each hand, a third and fourth standard flank the ones she holds. Interesting and extremely rare. Macrinus' first issue of coins showed the same five reverse types combined with four different legends: our

- 315. MACRINUS; 217-218 AD, Denarius, Rome, March-June 218 AD, 4.05g., BM-41, RSC-47a, RIC-26. Obv: IMP C M OPEL SEV MACRINVS AVG Bust laureate, draped r. Rx: P M TR P II COS P P Annona standing I. holding wheat ears and cornucopia, modius at feet. Overweight specimen. EF......325
- 316. MACRINUS; 217-218 AD, Denarius, Rome, 2.90g., BM-75, C-114, RIC-85. Obv: Long beard, bust laureate, cuirassed, seen from front. Rx: SALVS PVBLICA Salus seated I. feeding from patera and stroking snake rising from altar. aEF.........350

- 320. ELAGABALUS; 218-222 AD, Denarius, Branch Mint, 219 AD, 3.49g., RIC-130, C-244, BM-158. Rx: PROVID DEORVM Providentia standing I. leaning on column, holding wand above globe at feet and cornucopia. Mint State .........265
- 322. SEVERUS ALEXANDER; 222-235 AD, Denarius, Rome, 232-5 AD, 3.19g., BM-875, C-501 corr., RIC-250. Obv: IMP ALEXANDER PIVS AVG Bust laureate r., fold of cloak on front shoulder and behind neck. Rx: PROVIDENTIA AVG Annona standing r., head l., holding wheat ears over modius and cornucopia. Struck in extremely high relief. Looks almost like an ancient proof. FDC ......400
- 323. SEVERUS ALEXANDER; 222-235 AD, Denarius, Rome, 232-5 AD, 3.01g., BM-875, C-501 corr., RIC-250. Rx: PROVIDENTIA AVG Annona standing r., head l., holding wheat ears over modius and cornucopia. Mint State......200

- 326. JULIA MAMAEA; Denarius, Rome, 222-224 AD, 3.38g., BM-43, C-35, RIC-343.
  Rx: IVNO CONSERVATRIX Juno standing I., peacock at feet. Mint State.....140
- 327. PHILIP I; 244-249 AD, Antoninianus, Rome, 248-9 AD, 4.83g., RIC-19, C-182 (2 Fr.). Rx: SAECVLARES AVGG Stag walking r., officina U=5. Good VF......250
- 329. PHILIP I; 244-249 AD, Antoninianus, Rome, 248 AD, 2.90g., RIC-24c, C-193. Rx: SAECVLARES AVGG Cippus inscribed COS III. Good VF......225

- Obv: IMP C M Q TRAIANVS DECIVS AVG Bust radiate, cuirassed, r. Rx: PANNONIAE The two Pannonias standing I.; the one on the I. raises her r. hand, behind which is a standard; the one on the r. looks r., raises her r. hand, and holds a transverse standard in her I. hand. Stunning brilliant uncirculated ....125

- 339. GALLIENUS; 253-268 AD, Antoninianus, Antioch, 260-8 AD (Sole Reign), 3.78g., Göbl-1611b (10 spec.), RIC-629 var., C-50. Obv: GALLIENVS P F AVG Bust radiate, cuirassed r., seen from front. Rx: AETERNITATI AVG Sol standing I., r. hand raised, I. holding globe. Full silver Mint State ......150
- 340. SALONINA, WIFE OF GALLIENUS; Antoninianus, Antioch, 3.22g., Göbl-1619k, RSC-67b, RIC-92. Rx: IVNO REGINA Juno standing I. holding patera and scepter, peacock at feet, star in exergue. Full silver Mint State .....
- SALONINA; Antoninianus, Antioch, 3.26g., Cunetio-855 (31 spec.), Göbl-1691p (35 spec.), RIC-63, C-31 (2 Fr.). Obv: CORN SALONINA AVG Draped bust r. on crescent, wearing stephane. Rx: CONCORDIA AVGG Gallienus and Salonina clasping hands. Full silver EF......145
- 342. VALERIAN II AS CAESAR; 256-258 AD, Antoninianus, Viminacium, 2.40g., Göbl-860l (42 spec.), RIC-13, C-29. Obv: P LIC VALERIANVS CAES Bust radiate, draped r. Rx: IOVI CRESCENTI Baby Jupiter on goat r. Weakly struck.
- 343. VALERIAN II AS CAESAR; 256-258 AD, Antoninianus, Antioch, 2.53g., Göbl-1604d (27 spec.), Cunetio-833 (3 spec.), RIC-54 ®. Rx: VICTORIA PART Victory standing r., presenting wreath to prince. Mint State ....
- MARIUS; 268 AD, Antoninianus, 2.30g., Cunetio Hoard-2509 (38 spec.), RIC-17. Obv: [IM]P C M AVR MARIVS AVG Bust radiate, cuirassed r., seen from front. Rx: VICTORIA AVG Victory walking I. holding wreath and palm. Some isolated pits and planchet defect in emperor's cheek, otherwise Good VF.....
- 345. CLAUDIUS II GOTHICUS; 268-270 AD, Antoninianus, Milan, 2.61g., RIC-172, C-315, Cunetio Hoard-2254 (23 spec.). Rx: VIR[T]VS AVG Mars advancing r. holding spear and trophy over shoulder, P=officina 1 in exergue. Mars' arms and legs look like they are composed of stacks of disks, doubtless a result of the engraver's method of working. Mint State.....
- 346. DIVUS CLAUDIUS II, MULE WITH LIFETIME OBVERSE LEGEND; Died 270 AD, Antoninianus, 2.79g., Göbl (Aurelian)-98s0a (6 spec.), C-45 (Musee du Mans, 2 Fr.), RIC-265. Obv: IMP CLAVDIVS AVG Head radiate r. Rx: CONSECRATIO Eagle standing I., head r. Rare mule combining lifetime obverse legend with Consecratio reverse. VF......125
- 347. POSTUMUS; 259-268 AD, Antoninianus, Mid-late 268 AD, 3.77g., Cunetio-2453 (511 spec.), RIC-318 note. Rx: PAX AVG Pax standing I. holding branch and transverse scepter, P in I. field. aEF.....
- 348. SEVERINA, WIFE OF AURELIAN; Antoninianus, Serdica, 3.98g., Paris-1057, Göbl-265ll4., RIC-16. Obv: SEVERINA AVG Bust draped r. wearing stephane, crescent behind shoulders. Rx: CONCORDIA AVGG Aurelian and Severina clasping hands, star between, KAA in exergue (officina 4). Fully silvered Mint
- TACITUS; 275-276 AD, Antoninianus, Lugdunum, 3.37g., Paris-1505, RIC-21, C-35. Obv: IMP C M CL TACITVS P F AVG Radiate, draped, cuirassed bust r., seen from front. Rx: FELICITAS SAECVLI Felicitas standing I. by altar, holding patera and caduceus, in field C - star (officina 3). aEF.......................145
- 350. NUMERIAN; 283-284 AD, Antoninianus, Lugdunum, 2.96g., Bastien-554 (4 spec.), RIC-394 (R), C-49 (citing a private coll.). Obv: IMP C NVMERIANVS AVG Bust radiate, cuirassed I., seen from front, holding spear over r. shoulder and shield decorated with Medusa head. Rx: PAX AVG Pax standing I. holding branch and scepter, officina B=2 in I. field. Rare armored bust type. Reverse softly struck. Near Mint State
- 351. DIVUS NIGRINIAN, PROBABLY A SON OF CARINUS; Antoninianus, Rome, 3.90g., Venera Hoard 3405-7 (3 spec.), Sear-12412, RIC-472, C-3 (50 Fr.). Obv: DIVO NIGRINIANO Radiate, almost half-length bust r. with bare breast. Rx: CONSECRATIO Eagle with wings spread standing r., head I., in exergue KAA. Heroic, almost half-length bust type with bare chest, used on only some of Nigrinian's coins and for no other consecrated emperor. From the same obverse die as Venera Hoard pl. 24, 3405-6. Medallic bust. aEF......3750 LATE ROMAN SILVER AND SILVERED BRONZE
- 352. ISSUE OF VETRANIO, IN NAME OF CONSTANTIUS II; 337-361 AD, Centenionalis, Siscia, 350 AD, 4.31g., RIC-286 (S), officina  $\Gamma$ =3. Obv: Name and portrait of Constantius II r., between A and star, issued by Vetranio. Rx: HOC SIGNO VICTOR ERIS Emperor standing I. holding labarum and spear, crowned by Victory standing behind him, .ΓSIS. in exergue, A in I. field. EF.........
- MAGNENTIUS; 350-353 AD, Double Centenionalis, first reduction, Amiens, Jan.-Aug. 353 AD, 6.00g., RIC-39 (R), Bastien-139 (6 spec.). Rx: SALVS DD NN AVG ET CAES Cristogram between A and W, AMB in exergue. EF .......650
- MAGNENTIUS; 350-353 AD, Centenionalis, Arles, Jan. 351-Aug. 352 AD, 4.05g., RIC-167 (S), officina S=2; Bastien-257 (4 spec.). Obv: A behind portrait. Rx: VICTORIAE DD NN AVG ET CAES Two Victories holding wreath, within which VOT V MVL X, FSAR in exergue. Mint State .......350
- JULIAN II; 360-363 AD, AE 3, Sirmium, 3.40g., RIC-108 (C2), officina B=2. Obv: D N FL CL IVLI - ANVS P F AVG Helmeted, cuirassed bust I., holding spear and shield. Rx: VOT X MVLT XX in four lines in wreath, BSIRM in exergue. Brown
- VOT X MVLT XX in four lines in wreath, [?] SIRM in exergue. Minor doublestriking in reverse exergue obscures officina letter (A or B) before mintmark. Brown patination. Mint State......200
- VALENS; 364-378 AD, Siliqua, Trier, 375-8 AD, 2.49g., RIC-46a, mintmark 1; RSC-110†a. Rx: VRBS - ROMA Roma seated I. on cuirass, holding Victory on globe and reversed spear. Obverse weakly struck. EF..... **BYZANTINE COINS**
- 358. CONSTANTINE IX; 1042-1055 AD, Miliaresion, Constantinople, 2.85g., DO-7a large module, Sear-1834. Obv. Virgin, standing on footstool, facing orans, nimbate wearing tunic and maphorion; Rx: Emperor facing wearing scale armor, cloak and crown with cross and pendilia, in r. hand long cross, I. hand on hilt of
- sheathed sword. Exquisite portrait of emperor. Scarce. Mint State...........1450 ANDRONICUS II & MICHAEL IX; Basilikon, Constantinople, c. 1295-1320 AD,

- Obv: Bust of Christ is facing, with cross in nimbus, wearing tunic and himation, right hand raised in benediction in sling of cloak, book in I. Rx: Facing bust of emperor, nimbate, bearded, wearing crown with pendilia and scalloped tippet. In left and right filed, pellet. VF......300
- JOHN VIII; 1425-1448 AD, Half Stavrata, Constantinople, 3.30g., DO-1756. Obv: Bust of Christ is facing, with cross in nimbus, wearing tunic and himation, right hand raised in benediction in sling of cloak, book in I. Rx: Facing bust of emperor, nimbate, bearded, wearing crown with pendilia and scalloped tippet. In left and right filed, pellet. VF......200
- ANASTASIUS I; 491-518 AD, Follis, Constantinople, 18.25g., Berk-9, Hahn-27, Sear-19. Rx: Large M, cross above, stars to left and right, below, ∆ and CON in exergue. Portrait slightly double struck. Beautiful green patination. EF.......400
- ANONYMOUS I; 1078-1081 AD, Follis, 3.30g., Berk-962, Sear-1889. Obv: Bust of Christ facing, wearing nimbus cruciger, pallium and colobium, and raising right hand in benediction; in left hand, scroll; to left, IC, to right, XC. Rx: Latin cross, with an X at center; globule and pellets at each extremity; in lower field on either side, floral ornament; in upper field, on either side, crescent. Fine/VF ......100
- 364. NICEPHORUS III; 1078-1081 AD, Follis, 8.81g., DO-9. Overstruck on Anonymous D (DO-20). Only the reverses show. VF.......350
- ANDRONICUS I; 1183-1185 AD, Billon Aspron Trachy, 5.07g., Sear-1985.
- ANDRONICUS II; 1282-1328 AD, Assaria, Thessalonica, c. 1294-1320 AD, 1.50g., DO-681/682, Sear-2436. Obv: Andronicus I. and Michael r., holding labarum between them; Rx: Bust of Christ. Green patination. Good VF.......140
- ANDRONICUS II AND MICHAEL IX; 1295-1320 AD, Assarion, 1.39g., Sear-2440, Bendall-172. Obv: Andronicus and Michael holding labarum between
- Bendall-2481; DO-908-12; LPC-p.126,13; Bendall-205. Obv: Cross ancree, pellet in each angle; Rx: Emperor standing facing, holding in r. hand cross scepter Fine+
- 369. BYZANTINE SEAL IMPERIAL FAMILY; Seal, c. 11th century, 22.24g., cf. Zacos-2707. Obv: St. Demetrios, nimbate, beardless, standing facing; wears cuirass, short chiton and chlamys; r. holds long spear; l. placed on shield resting on ground. In I. and r. field vertical inscriptions: O-A-ΓΙ-OC and Δ-H-MH-TP-I; Rx: Six lines of script. While this seal is quite clear and even names a person, Michael, we were unable to find the same inscription within Zacos, our primary reference for seals. Some reverse encrustation, otherwise EF......400
- **MEDIEVAL COINS** 370. BULGARIA, SECOND EMPIRE. TSAR IVAN ALEKSANDUR; 1331-1371, Tarnovo Mint, Trachy, 1.34g., Dochev-pl. 33,1-2; Raduchev & Zhekov-Type 1.13.19-22; Youroukova & Penchev-89. Obv: Three-towered castle fascade. Rx: Ivan Aleksandar and Mihail Asen IV standing facing, holding labarum between them; monograms to left and right. The following write-up is quoted from Coin Archives: "The nephew of Mihail III Asen, Ivan Aleksander became emperor in 1331, following a coup which drove out the rightful though ineffective ruler, Ivan Stefan. The new ruler set about consolidating his position by regaining territories recently lost to the Byzantine Empire. In 1331 Ivan Aleksander campaigned around Adrianople and reconquered northeastern Thrace. After defeating the Byzantines at Rusokastro, a peace was struck, essentially reestablishing the status quo between the two powers, and an alliance was made with the betrothal of Ivan's eldest son, Michael Asen IV, to Andronicus' daughter Maria (Eirene), the marriage eventually taking place in 1339. To safeguard his throne in the meantime, Ivan installed his eldest son, Michael Asen IV, as coemperor in about 1332; he followed this up with the coronation of his younger sons, Ivan Sracimir and Ivan Asen IV, in 1337. It was possibly the intention of Ivan Aleksander that these younger co-emperors could establish immediate control over important cities and regions, and administer them directly" Throughout the 1340s, relations with the Byzantine Empire and Serbia were periodically strained. Attempts to repel the Ottomans repeatedly failed, and Ivan Aleksander's third son and co-emperor, Ivan Asen IV. was killed in battle against them in 1349, as also happened to his older brother Michael Asen IV in 1355 or a little earlier. A new and more successful attempt against the Ottomans was made in 1355, this time by John V Palaiologos. Although Ivan Aleksander's daughter Keraca Marija was married to the future Andronicus IV Palaiologos as part of the arrangement, the alliance failed to produce concrete results. To continue his policy of having sons as co-emperors and to replace those who had died, Ivan Aleksander divorced his first wife, and married a second time. The sons of this new union were crowned as co-emperors, Ivan Šišman in about 1356 and Ivan Asen V by 1359. However, Ivan Aleksander's longrange plans had failed as the last surviving son from his first marriage, the co-emperor Ivan Sracimir, became effectively an independent ruler in 1356. In 1364, hostilities yet again broke out between the Bulgarians and Byzantines.
- Preparing to meet them, Ivan Aleksander died on 17 February 1371.". VF ...250 371. LEVON I, CILICIAN ARMENIA; 1199-1219 AD, AR Tram, 3.07g. Obv: King seated facing, Armenian legend around, Rx: Cross between two lions, Armenian legend around. EF.

Ivan Aleksander was forced to sue for peace. The relatively successful resolution of the crisis in the northwest did nothing to help recover the losses in the southeast. The Ottomans under Murad I conquered Adrianople and Plovdiv.

- JERUSALEM, CRUSADERS, HOLY SEPULCHRE; Amaury, 1163-1174 AD, Billon Denier, .93g., Malloy-22a. Obv: AMALRICVS REX; Cross pattee, with annulets in second and third quarters; Rx: DE IERVSALEM; Church of the Holy
- CRUSADER ANTIOCH; Bohemond III, Minority,1149-1163 AD, Denier, Regencies of Constance and Renaud of Chatillon, .72g., Malloy-23, Metcalf, NC 1969, 2-12. Obv: Portrait of Bohemond; Rx: Cross pattee. Usual weak striking,
- WILLIAM DE LA ROCHE; Frankish Greece, 1287-87 AD, Billon denier tournois, 0.78g., Malloy-87. Obv: Cross pattee; Rx: Castle tournois with very thin closed

- 375. BOHEMOND IV SECOND REIGN; 1219-33 AD, Billon denier, 0.91g., Malloy-105; Allen Type 4/5 mule; Metcalf, Ashmolean 330-1 Class N; Pesant, ibid. Obv: Helmeted head facing I. with chain mail composed of upward crescents, crescent upwards I., five-pointed star r.; Rx: Cross pattee with crescent downwards in second angle. Good VF.....
- SWITZERLAND, BASEL, BISHOP BERTHOLD II VON PFIRT; Bracteate Pfennig, 1249-1262 AD, 0.38g., Slg. Wüthrich-16, Wieland-88. Obv: Facing bust of bishop under arch with three towers. Rx: Same, Incuse. Good VF...150
- SWITZERLAND, BASEL, BISHOP BERTHOLD II VON PFIRT; Bracteate Pfennig, 1249-1262 AD, 0.37g., Slg. Wüthrich-16, Wieland-88. Obv: Facing bust of bishop under arch with three towers. Rx: Same, Incuse. EF......400
- 378. SWITZERLAND, BASEL, BISHOP JOHANN II SENN VON MÜSINGEN; Bracteate Pfennig, 1335-1365 AD, 0.35g., Slg. Wüthrich-28/29, Wieland-115. Obv: Bust of bishop left, wearing mitre; B to left, A to right. Rx: Same, Incuse.
- 379. SWITZERLAND, BASEL, BISHOP JOHANN II SENN VON MÜSINGEN; Bracteate Pfennig, 1335-1365 AD, 0.34g., Slg. Wüthrich-28/29, Wieland-115. Obv: Bust of bishop left, wearing mitre; B to left, A to right. Rx: Same, Incuse. ......200
- SWITZERLAND, BASEL; Bracteate Pfennig, c. 1379 AD, 0.22g., Slg. Wüthrich-41, Wieland-126. Obv: Crook; B to left, A to right. Rx: Same, Incuse.
- SWITZERLAND, BASEL; Bracteate Pfennig, c. 1379 AD, 0.28g., Slg. Wüthrich-41, Wieland-126. Obv: Crook; B to left, A to right. Rx: Same, Incuse.
- SWITZERLAND, ZOFINGEN, DUKE ALBRECHT III; Bracteate Rappen, 1386-1395 AD, 0.31g., Slg. Wüthrich-143 var. Obv: Helmet with peacock plume. Rx: Same, Incuse. Iridescent toning. EF ......
- SWITZERLAND, ZOFINGEN, DUKE ALBRECHT III; Bracteate Rappen, 1386-1395 AD, 0.25g., Slg. Wüthrich-143 var. Obv: Helmet with peacock plume. Rx: Same Incuse FF
- SWITZERLAND, TIENGEN; Bracteate Rappen, 1350-1400 AD, 0.31g., Slg. Wüthrich-167. Obv: Male bust left, wearing pointed cap; T to left, E/V to right. Rx: Same, Incuse. VF.......175
- SWITZERLAND, TIENGEN; Bracteate Rappen, 1350-1400 AD, 0.28g., Slg. Wüthrich-167. Obv: Male bust left, wearing pointed cap; T to left, E/V to right. Rx: Same, Incuse. iridescent toning. EF.....
- SWITZERLAND, TIENGEN; Bracteate Rappen, 1350-1400 AD, 0.36g., Slg. Wüthrich-167 var. Obv: Male bust left, wearing pointed cap; T to left, E/V to
- Wüthrich-169. Obv: Male bust left, wearing pointed cap; T to left, E/V to right. Rx: Same, Incuse. EF.....
- SWITZERLAND, TIENGEN; Bracteate Rappen, 1350-1400 AD, 0.34g., Slg. Wüthrich-169. Obv: Male bust left, wearing pointed cap; T to left, E/V to right. Rx: Same, Incuse. VF ...
- SWITZERLAND, SOLOTHURN; Bracteate, c. 1270-1300 AD, 0.24g., Berger-2442; Slg. Bonhoff-1797. Obv: Bust of St. Ursus left. Rx: Same, Incuse. Softly struck. EF .....

### **GREEK BRONZE**

- 390. NORTHWEST GAUL; AE 15, Aulerci Eburovices, 50-30 BC, 2.18g., Depeyrot, NCV, 163. Obv: Diademed male head right; Rx:Celticized boar standing left; T in exergue, ornaments around. Ex Elsen 69, #15 Ex CNG 76/1, #25. Green
- 391. SICILY, PIAKOS; Tetras, 427-424 BC, 2.77g., Calciati-2/1. Obv: Wreathed head of youthful river god I., around letters of inscription ΠΙΑΚΙΝ alternating with six pellets. Rx: Dog r. seizing fallen fawn by the throat, wheat grain on either side. Extremely rare. Not quite as nice as one we had in our last sale. EF/aEF .2000 392. **TIMOLEON IN SYRACUSE**; 345-317 BC, Dilitron, Syracuse, 20.80g., Calciati-80.
- Obv: Head of Zeus. Rx: Free prancing horse. Ex Superior, Pepito Sale, Dec. 1987, 209. This is an extremely beautiful example of this coin, with the obverse nicely struck and well-centered, although the reverse is slightly doublestruck on the bottom of the horse's belly. EF.
- MACEDONIA, PHILIP V; 220-179 BC, AE 22, 11.34g., SNG Cop-1258 var. (lower controls), SNG Alpha Bank-1113 var. Obv: Head of Helios r. Rx: Thunderbolt and legend within oak wreath. Green patination. EF......450
- THESSALY, GYRTON; AE 16, 400-344 BC, 4.51g., Rogers-228. Obv: Head of Gyrton r. to I. of horse's head r. Rx: Head of Gyrtona I. Unsually complete .....325 obverse type. VF .....

#### **Amazing Quality**

- 395. THESSALY, PELINNA; AE 15, 400-344 BC, 2.67g., Rogers-426. Obv: Horseman striking prostrate hoplite, who covers himself with his shield; horseman wears helmet and chlamys; Rx: Warrior charging, wearing petasos and chlamys holding a spear and shield adorned with star. Exceptionally detailed on both obverse and reverse. Mint State ..
- 396. THESSALY, PELINNA; AE 14, 400-344 BC, 2.50g., Rogers-, Grose-, similar to Grose 4658 but obol. Obv: Rider wearing chlamas and kausia, Rx: Warrior with shield and spear advancing left. Ex Harlan J. Berk Ltd., Buy or Bid Sale 128, 2002, lot 550. Fine+ .....
- BOEOTIA, THESPIAE; AE 13, c. 210 BC BC, 3.74g., BM-14, BCD-611-2. Obv: Female head r. Rx: Lyre within wreath. EF ......140
- ALEXANDER JANNAEUS; 103 76 BC, AE Prutah, Samaria, 2.56g., Obv: Lily surrounded by Hebrew 'Yehonatan the King', border of dots. Rx: Upside down anchor within circle, 'of King Alexander' in Greek. Somewhat encrusted, but EF.....
- HEROD THE GREAT; 40 BCE-4 CE, Prutah, 2.05g., Hendin-489; AJC II 235,5. Obv: Aphlaston flanked by date and monogram. Rx: Palm branch. Scarce. 575
- 400. **MATTATHIAS ANTIGONUS**; 40-37 BCE, AE 22, 14.02g., Hendin-481. "Mattayah The High Priest and Council of the Jews". Rx "of King Antigonus" Unsually complete. Struck on a broad flan. EF.....

- 401. VALERIUS GRATUS; 15-26 CE, Under Tiberius, Prutah, Year 2=15 CE, 1.89g., Hendin-640; AJC II, Supp. V,8. Obv: IOY ΛιΑ (Julia - refers to Julia Livia, mother of Tiberius), legend within wreath. Rx: Palm branch flanked by date. EF......250
- AGRIPPA II (UNDER NERO); 50-95 AD, AE 19, Neronias, c. 63-68 AD, 5.93g., RPC-4989 (9 spec.), Meshorer-130. Obv: NEP $\Omega$ N KAI $\Sigma$ AP  $\Sigma$ EBA $\Sigma$ TO $\Sigma$ , laureate head, r.; to r., star (not visible); Rx: E\PiI BASIAE AFPIHH NEPQNIE in wreath ("Under King Agrippa, of the people of Neronias"). VF/EF.........1500
- 403. AGRIPPA II (UNDER NERO); 50-95 AD, AE 22, Sepphoris Mint, Year 14 (of Nero)= 67/68 AD, 10.73g., RPC-4849; TJC-127; Hendin-586. Obv: Wreath and circle around, L $\Delta$ I/ NEP $\Omega$ NO/K $\Lambda$ AY $\Delta$ IOY/KAIACPO/C (year 14 of Nero Claudius Caesar); Rx: Two cornucopias crossed, caduceus between them; EIII ΟΥΕCΠΑCIANO[Y ΕΡΗΝΟΠΟΛΙ ΝΕΡΨΝΙΑ CΕΠΦW] (in the time of Vespasian, in Irenopolis-Neronias-Sepphoris). Hendin notes on p. 213 of his book that "this interesting coin actually names Vespasian while he was still a general under
- Hendin-648. Obv: Three bound ears of barley. Rx: Libation ladle. EF.......350
- FIRST REVOLT; 66-70 AD, AE Prutah, Year 3=68/69 CE, 2.92g., Hendin-664; Meshorer AJC II-p.260,20; TJC-204. Obv: Amphora with broad rim, two handles, and lid decorated with tiny globes hanging around edge; around in script (year 3); Rx: Vine leaf on small branch, surrounded by Hebrew (the freedom of Zion). EF/
- 406. JEWISH WAR; 66-70 CE, Prutah, Year 3=68/69 CE, 2.83g., TJC-204, Hendin-664. Obv: Amphora with broad rim, two handles, and lid decorated with tiny globes hanging around edge; around in paleo-Hebrew Year three, Rx: Vine leaf on small branch; around in paleo-Hebrew The freedom of Zion. This coin has full legends on both sides, which is quite rare indeed for this type. Ex Gemini V, 6 January 2009, lot 184, the Jacob Stein Collection. EF .......350
- THE JEWISH WAR; 66-70 CE, 1/8 Shekel, Year Four=69/70 CE, 3.89g., Hendin-670. Obv: Chalice with a pearled rim; Hebrew around "To the redemption of Zion"; Rx: Lulav flanked by an etrog on either side surrounded by Hebrew
- Obv: Seven-branched palm tree; Hebrew across field, Rx: Bunch of grapes with branch; Hebrew around. Slightly off-center on reverse. aEF .....
- 409. SYRIA, CLEOPATRA; AE 18-20, Chalcis sub Libano, Year 21 and 6=32/31 BC, 4.75g., RPC-4772. Obv: BACILICCHC KLEO - PATRAC Draped, diademed bust of Cleopatra r. Rx: Inscription naming Cleopatra's "Year 21 and 6" mostly illegible; Victory advancing r., all within wreath. Acquired from Harlan J. Berk Ltd, Joliet, 1980s. EF/VF...... .....1500

#### **ROMAN BRONZE**

#### **Unusual Temple of Janus**

410. NERO; 54-68 AD, Sestertius, Lugdunum, 65-6 AD, 27.97g., BM-319, Paris-73, NEHO; 54-66 AD, Sesterius, Luguriuii, 63-6 AD, 27-379., Dini-713, 1 and 714.

C-146 (4 Fr.), RIC-438, Macdowall 140, C-134. Obv: NERO CLAVD CAESAR AVG GER P M TR P IM[P P P] Head laureate r., globe below tip of neck. Rx: PACE P R TERRA MARIQ PARTA IANVM CLVSIT S - C Temple of the Twin Janus (Ianus Geminus) near the Roman Forum, closed double doors at r.with garland hanging above them, each door divided into three panels with a large circular handle in the central panel, latticed window to I., sunken divisions separate the four rows of blocks that make up the side wall. The reverse legend forms a complete sentence: "Since peace has been established for the Roman people on land and sea, he closed the temple of Janus." The legend first appears on aurei in 64 AD, so the closure of the temple apparently took place immediately after Corbulo's settlement with the Parthians in the preceding year, 63 AD. The furrows separating the blocks of the temple's side wall are a noteworthy feature of the reverse die of our coin: on most dies it is instead lines or double lines in relief that divide these blocks. Unusual separation of the blocks in the side wall of the Temple of Janus by sunken grooves rather than lines in relief. Brown on green patination. Nearly EF..

#### Port of Ostia

- 411. NERO; 54-68 AD, Sestertius, Rome, 64-5 AD, 24.64g., BM-134 (seven ships) and p. 223 note, Paris-290 (eleven ships), C-33 (eleven ships, 20 Fr.), RIC-181. Obv. NERO CLAVDIVS CAESAR AVG GER P M TR P IMP P P Bust laureate r., aegis with Medusa head and snakes on front shoulder and behind neck. Rx: S POR OST C below, AVG - VSTI above, two curved moles enclosing eight ships in the harbor of Ostia, statue atop lighthouse above, Neptune reclining on dolphin below, man sacrificing at altar before temple at end of left mole, figure seated I. on rock at end of right mole. The number of ships shown in the harbor in this type varies, but the four most important ones, never omitted and showing four successive stages in a ship's use of the harbor, are the two left and right of the lighthouse, one entering the harbor under full sail and the other being rowed out of the harbor; the large ship in the center, which has recently arrived and cast anchor and whose sails are being taken in by three men on deck and in the rigging; and finally the ship alongside the quay at eight o'clock whose cargo is being unloaded by a man on deck and another crossing the gangplank to shore. Our coin adds four more ships to this basic number, namely two more freighters with furled sails and two smaller rowboats. The obverse of this coin has definite wear at the highest point of the portrait. The entire coin has pleasant smooth brown surfaces with muted yellow highlights. Excellent detail on all of the ships in the port. aVF/VF......7500
- 412. VESPASIAN; 69-79 AD, Sestertius, Rome, 71 AD, 25.98g., RIC-221 (C3), BM-582, Paris-561, C-624 (12 Fr.), Hendin-778. Obv: IMP CAES VESPASIAN AVG PMTRPPPCOS III Head laureate r. Rx: VICTORIA - AVGVSTI around, SC in exergue, Victory standing r., l. foot on helmet, inscribing shield set on palm tree, mourning Jewess sits r. at base of tree. From die combination 199 (A39/P62) in Kraay's unpublished die study of Vespasian's sestertii of 71 AD, of which we have a photocopy. This die combination, indeed this obverse die, was known to Kraay in only one specimen, in his own collection. Excellent portrait. Dark olive patination with earthen highlights. This coin was actually found in Israel. Good

- 413. TITUS AS CAESAR; 70-79 AD, Sestertius, Rome, 73 AD, 21.16g., RIC-1440 (R), BM-628 pl. 24.11 (same rev. die), Paris-615, C-27 (15 Fr.). Obv: T CAES VESPASIAN IMP PON TR POT COS II Head laureate r. Rx: CAES - AR DOMITIA - N COS - DES II S C Domitian in military dress on horse prancing I., holding scepter surmounted by human head. The reverse type is shared with Domitian's earliest aurei and denarii from the mint of Rome (there without legend) and may depict Domitian "riding on horseback at his father's triumph of 71" (Mattingly, BMC, p. xxxvii). Fine......800
- TRAJAN; 98-117 AD, Sestertius, Rome, 103-11 AD, 27.66g., BM-834, Paris-559, C-504 (12 Fr.), RIC-534. Obv: IMP CAES NERVAE TRAIANO AVG GER DAC PMTRPCOSVPPBust laureate r., with fold of cloak on front shoulder and behind neck. Rx: S P Q R OPTIMO PRINCIPI S C Trajan brandishing spear on horse charging r., before horse Dacian enemy falling r. onto one knee, half raising his arms and looking back at Trajan. On this fine specimen we can see that Trajan is using the skin of a lion or panther as a saddle blanket: the skin's face and one hanging forepaw are visible to the right of Trajan's knee, and one hind leg of the beast flutters out below the horse's tail. The same details are visible on Paris-564, pl. 31, but they are not described in either the Paris catalogue or BMC or Strack, so may have been overlooked by earlier numismatists. Bold high relief obverse. Extremely beautiful, detailed reverse. Dark brown patination. EF..2750
- 415. ANTONINUS PIUS; 138-161 AD, Sesterius, Rome, 145 AD, 24.31g., BM-1669, C-320 (12 Fr.), RIC-767a. Obv: ANTONINVS - AVG PIVS P P TR P Head laureate r. Rx: COS IIII / S C in exergue, Antoninus in quadriga I., extending r. hand and holding eagle-tipped scepter in I. Comemmorates the emperor's assumption of his fourth consulship on 1 January 145. VF......850
- COMMODUS AS CAESAR; 166-177 AD, Sestertius, Rome, 175-6 AD, 25.40g., BM-1528, C (1st ed.)-703 (10 Fr.), RIC-1528. Obv: LAVREL COMMODO CAES AVG FIL GERM SARM Bare-headed, draped bust r. Rx: PRINC IVVENT S - C Commodus standing I. by trophy, holding branch and spear. Omitted by error in Cohen's second edition. Very nice portrait of youthful Commodus. Glossy olive patination. Fine....
- Gnecchi-75 pl. 83.3 (same dies), C-474 (500 Fr.). Obv: M COMMODVS ANTONI--NVS AVG PIVS BRIT Bust laureate, cuirassed r. Rx: [P M T]R P X IMP VII COS IIII P P Genius Saeculi standing r. holding scepter and large zodiac, through which four female figures representing the Four Seasons are proceeding. First comes Spring holding a basket, second Summer holding a sickle, third Autumn holding a bunch of grapes, and finally Winter, hooded and carrying a reed over her shoulder. On r., a putto with cornucopia on shoulder walks I. toward Genius Saeculi and the Seasons. Coins were a favorite Roman New Year's gift, and the imperial titles on Roman medallions prove that most of them were indeed struck at the beginning of the year, doubtless for distribution as New Year's gifts. This attractive reverse type seems to promise that the passage of the seasons will bring prosperity, a traditional New Year's good wish. Rare medallion of Commodus showing the Four Seasons. Extremely worn but having no problems. This is an inexpensive way to get a Roman medallion. VG.....1875 ROMAN PROVINCIAL SILVER
- 418. TRAJAN; 98-117 AD, Drachm, Arabia Petraea, Bostra, c. 114-116 AD, 2.77g., SNG ANS-1158; W.E. Metcalf, "The Tell Kalak Hoard and Trajan's Arabian Mint," ANSMN 20 (1975), 18; Sydenham-205; BM Galatia-65. Obv: AYTOKP KAIC NEP TPAIANW APICTW CEB FEPM  $\Delta$ AK, Bust of Trajan, laureate, draped, cuirassed r. Rx:  $\Delta$ HMAPX EΞ YΠΑΤΟς, Two-humped Bactrian camel l. on exergual line. Somewhat softly struck. aEF ......350
- TRAJAN; 98-117 AD, Didrachms, Seleucis and Pieria, Antiochia ad Orontem, COS V = 103-111 AD, 7.16g., McAlee-486, Prieur-1485, BMC (Caesarea)-79 corr., Sydenham-206 corr. Obv: ΑΥΤΟΚΡ ΚΑΙС ΝΕΡ ΤΡΑΙΑΝΟΣ CEB ΓΕΡΜ  $\Delta AK$ , laureate head of Trajan r., slight drapery at neck; Rx:  $\Delta HMAPX$  EE Y $\Pi AT$ E, Eagle standing I., wings folded; palm branch behind; club in I. field. aEF .850
- **TRAJAN**; 98-117 AD, Tridrachm, Arabia Petraea, Bostra, c. 112-114 AD, 9.52g., SNG ANS-1160 var. (listed as tetradracm); W.E. Metcalf, "The Tell Kalak Hoard and Trajan's Arabian Mint," ANSMN 20 (1975), 3; Sydenham-190a (Caesarea). Obv: AYTOKP KAIC NEP TPAIANOC CEB ΓΕΡΜ ΔΑΚ, Laureate bust right, drapery on left shoulder; Rx: ΔΗΜΑΡΧ ΕΞ ΥΠΑΤΟς Distyle temple with eagle in pediment; cult image of Artemis of Perge within. Scarcer type. Good VF.....650
- Unpublished Caesarea in Cappadocia 421. HADRIAN; 117-138 AD, Didrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, After 128 AD, 7.29g., Unpublished. Obv: AAPIANOC - CEBACTOC Head laureate r. Rx: VΠΑ ΠΑΤ - ΠΑΓRI (sic) Eagle standing I., head r., wings spread, on the coils of a serpent with heads on both ends of its body, apparently meant to represent two intertwined serpents. The eagle's talons grasp the serpent at the top of a U-shaped coil near the middle of its body. On the right, the snake's body procedes sinuously upwards, and its first head faces upwards near the top of the eagle's left wing. On the left, the serpent's body forms two circular coils, and its second head faces right just to the left of the eagle's right talon. A new reverse type, apparently struck either at Caesarea or at an undetermined mint in imitation of the Caesarean silver. The reverse legend of our coin shows two anomalies: the omission of Hadrian's consular number III, in Greek  $\Gamma$ , and the misspelling  $\Pi$ A $\Gamma$ RI for  $\Pi$ ATRI, a  $\Gamma$  replacing the required T, in Hadrian's title "Father of his country". The omission of the consular number occurs also on another didrachm attributed to Caesarea, with the unusual reverse type "Radiate, draped male bust right with club over shoulder", Metcalf Conspectus-102, Sydenham-253 with illustration, BM-127. The type for this coin on the reverse has never been previously recorded for Cappadocia. Areas of flat striking at the highest points, otherwise good VF
- SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS; 193-211 AD, Tridrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 13=205 AD, 8.09g., Legend variant of Berk 166, 15 October 2009, 525. Otherwise apparently unpublished, cf. SNG Aulock-6458 (drachm) = Syd/Malloy-396b (p. 147). Obv: AY KAI Λ CEΠΤΙ - CEOYHPOC AY Head laureate r. Rx: MHTPO $\Pi$  - KAICAPIA around, ET I $\Gamma$  in exergue, Mt. Argaeus surmounted by nude male figure standing front, holding triangular object (Mt. Argaeus?) in r. hand and spear or scepter in I. EF......1100

- 423. SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS; 193-211 AD, Tridrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 17=209 AD, 6.40g., Berk 166, 15 October 2009, 527 (same dies), otherwise apparently unpublished. Obv: AY KAI  $\Lambda$  CEITTI - CEOYHPOC Head laureate r. Rs: MHTP KAIC - API NE $\Omega$ K around, ET IZ in exergue, Draped half figure of Artemis (?) I., band in hair, long tresses falling onto both shoulders and down neck, holding scepter before her in half-raised r. hand, and plate of fruit below her breasts with her I. hand. Apparently only the third recorded Caesarean silver coin of the Severan period with this reverse type, the first being a drachm of Septimius of Year 16 that appeared in Lanz 109, 27 May 2002, lot 576, and the second the tridrachm of Septimius from the same dies in our last sale, lot 527. Before 2002 the type had only been known on Caesarian coins of Domitian and Trajan, e.g. RPC-1668 and Sydenham/Malloy p. 67, fig. 59 and pl. I, 195b. Areas of corrosion, otherwise VF/aEF......
- SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS; 193-211 AD, Tridrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 18=210 AD, 8.41g., Syd/Malloy-403b (p. 148), citing Mabbott-2342. Obv: AY KAI \( \Lambda \) CEITTI - CEOYHPOC Bust laureate, draped, cuirassed r. Rx: MHTPO KAICAPIAC NE $\Omega$ KO around, ET IH in exergue, Radiate male figure, half nude, seated I. on Mt. Argaeus, holding branch in extended r. hand and placing I. hand on globe resting atop the mountain. EF .......1500
- SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS; 193-211 AD, Tridrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 18=210 AD, 8.58g., Legend variant of Berk 166, 15 October 2009, 530; otherwise apparently unpublished. Obv: AY KAI  $\Lambda$  CE $\Pi$ TIMI - CEOYHPOC AV $\Gamma$  Bust laureate r., fold of cloak on far shoulder. Rx: MHTPO KAICA - PIAC NE $\Omega$ KO around, ET- IH in lower field, Nike advancing r. holding wreath and palm. The Nike on reverse doubtless refers to Septimius' victories in Britain. Apparently only the second recorded specimen of this tridrachm; Sydenham-404, citing BM-230, is a corresponding drachm. EF.....
- 426. **SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS**; 193-211 AD, AR Drachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 2=194 AD, 2.86g., Cf. Syd-387, citing BM-219. Obv: AV Λ CEΠ - CEOVHPOC Head laureate r. Rx: [MHTP]O - KAICAPI around, ET R in exergue, Mt. Argaeus with star on summit. Curious letter-form variant, ET R for ET B, as also on Sydenham-393. Mint State......250
- 427. SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS; 193-211 AD, AR Drachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 5=197 AD, 2.36g., Rev. type and legend var. of Syd/Malloy-395a (p. 147). Obv: AV  $\Lambda$  CE $\Pi$  - CEOVHPOC Head laureate r. Rx: MHTPO $\Pi$ O KAICAPIA around, ET E in exergue, Mt. Argaeus with star on summit, crescent in I. field. The coin cited by Sydenham/Malloy-395a omits the crescent in field and has KAICAPIAC for KAICAPIA in the legend. EF......300
- JULIA DOMNA; Tridrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 16=208 AD, 7.41g., Obv. legend var. of Syd-448, citing BM-255. Obv:  $IOYAIA \Delta O$  - MNA AYTOYC Bust draped r. Rx: MHTPO KAI - CAP  $NE\Omega K$  around, ET IS in exergue, Mt. Argaeus, with nude male statue holding globe and scepter on summit. Scratch in back of Julia Domna's head and shoulders, otherwise EF......1000

#### **Rare Double Date**

- 429. JULIA DOMNA UNDER CARACALLA AND GETA, WITH DOUBLE DATE;
  Tridrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Years 14 and 3=211 AD, after death of Septimius, 9.25g., Apparently unpublished; cf. Berk 166, 15 October 2009, 573 (same rev. type, same year, but of Geta Augustus). Obv: IOYΛIA - AYΓΟΥC[TA] Bust draped r. Rx: MHTPO $\Pi$  KAI - CAPIAC NÉ $\Omega$  around, ET I $\Delta\Gamma$  in exergue, Radiate god seated I. on Mt. Argaeus, with clothing around shoulders and over legs but leaving chest bare, holding branch in extended r. hand and resting I. arm on globe set atop the mountain. Apparently only the fifth recorded coin in this interesting issue of Julia Domna during the joint reign of Carcalla and Geta, double dated to Caracalla's fourteenth and Geta's third regnal year, as was first recognized in the commentary to lot 555 in our preceding catalogue 166. The four other known coins are (a) two tridrachms from the same obverse die as our coin, but with reverse Mt. Argaeus with three imperial statues atop its righthand summit, lots 555-6 in the catalogue mentioned; and (b) two drachms with different reverse types, namely Mt. Argaeus without imperial statues (Auctiones, June 1978, 478) and Nike advancing right (Sydeham-466 = BM-254). These double-dated coins of Domna at Caesarea, incidentally, conclusively refute Anthony Birley's attempt in the second edition of his biography of Septimius Severus to postpone Geta's proclamation as Augustus from 209 to 210 AD, a chronology which is in any case clearly incompatible with the dates on Geta's
- Apparently unpublished, cf. Berk 166, 15 October 2009, 538 (Year 17=209 AD). Obv: ΙΟΥΛΙΑ ΔΟ - MNA ΑΥΓΟΥC Bust draped r. Rx: MHTPO KAICAPI NE $\Omega$ KO around, ET IS in exergue, Female (?) figure, naked to waist, seated I. on Mt. Argaeus, resting I. hand on globe atop the mountain, holding branch in extended r. hand. The figure on reverse on this and the next coin, though wearing longish hair gathered into a bun, may be male rather than female. In a very similar type used at the same time, for example lots 424, 429, and 434 in this catalogue, the
- NE $\Omega$ KO around, ET IZ in exergue, Female (?) figure, naked to waist, seated I. on Mt. Argaeus, resting I. hand on globe atop the mountain, holding branch in extended r. hand. Flat striking at 1-3 o'clock on the reverse edge obscures the ending of the word KAICAPI, but there is definitely not enough space for the full KAICAPIAC shown by lot 538 in our last sale. The date ET IZ on our coin may be an overdate; the Z is in high relief and seems to have been engraved over another letter. EF..... ......1500

#### **Unpublished Date**

432. JULIA DOMNA; Tridrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 18=210 AD, 8.72g., Apparently unpublished, cf. Berk 166, 15 October 2009, 532 (Septimius). Obv: IOΥΛΙΑ  $\Delta$ O - MNA AVΓΟΥ Bust draped r. Rx: MHTPOΠ KAICAPIA NE $\Omega$  around, ET IH in exergue, Mt. Argaeus; I. of summit, statue of god standing I. extending r. hand and holding scepter in I.; r. of summit, statues of three emperors standing facing, tall Septimius in middle, medium-size Caracalla on r., smaller Geta on

- 439. CARACALLA; 198-217 AD, Tetradrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 20 of Caracalla=217 AD, 10.78g., Legend var. of Syd/Malloy-478a, p. 152 (citing ANS, wrongly as "tridrachm"). Obv: AY K M AYPHΛI ANTΩNEINOC CEBAC Head laureate r. Rx: MHTPOΠΟ KAICAPIAC around, ETOYC / K in two lines in exergue, AN TΩ across upper field, Mt. Argaeus, with nude male statue holding globe and scepter on summit. With longer legend forms both sides CEBAC and ETOYC than the few other published specimens of this rare largest deposition of the Severan exircance of Conserva a EE.

- 442. CARACALLA; 198-217 AD, Didrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 19 of Caracalla=216 AD, 4.59g., Legend and date-placement var. of Berk 166, 15 October 2009, 565; cf. Syd-478 (Year 20). Obv: AY K M AYPH ANTΩNEINOC Head laureate r. Rx: MHTPO KAICAP Agalma of Mt. Argaeus surmounted by star, set atop altar which bears the date ET IΘ. Another didrachm with the rare earlier date 19 in this issue, varying from the last lot in this sale and from the specimen in our catalogue 166 in having the date placed on the altar rather than in field and exergue, in addition to several legend variations. This coin also struck on a broad flan and with a larger portrait and reverse type than usual. EF....850

- 444. CARACALLA; 198-217 AD, Didrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 20 of Caracalla=217 AD, 4.86g., Legend var. of Syd/Malloy-478/479 and 477e. Obv. AY K M AYPHAI ANTΩNEINOC CEB[AC?] Head laureate r. Rx: MHTPO KAICAPI around, ET K in exergue, Agalma of Mt. Argaeus surmounted by star, set atop plain altar. The altar on reverse without the normal garland. EF.....750
- 445. CARACALLA; 198-217 AD, Silver drachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 20 of Caracalla=217 AD, 2.48g., Unpublished denomination in this issue. Obv: AY K M AYPHAI AN ΤΩΝΕΙΝΙΟC CJE Head laureate r. Rx: MHTPO KAICAP around, ET K in exergue, Mt. Argaeus surmounted by large star. The first attested drachm in Caracalla's final issue of silver coins at Caesarea, dated to 216 and 217 AD, which was until now known to us only through a fair number of didrachms and a few tetradrachms of both Caracalla and his mother Julia Domna. See the commentary to lot 557 in our preceding catalogue 166, and the other coins from the same issue offered in that catalogue and the present one. aEF/EF ......1750 Second Recorded Tetradrachm
- 446. **JULIA DOMNA**; Tetradrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 19 of Caracalla=216 AD, 9.35g., Obv. and rev. legend variant of Berk 166, 15 October 2009, 557; otherwise apparently unpublished. Obv: IOYAIA ΔΟΜΝΑ CEBACTH Bust draped r. Rx: MHTPOΠΟ KAICAPIAC around, ET IΘ in exergue, AN ΤΩ across upper field, Mt. Argaeus, with nude male statue holding globe and scepter on summit. Apparently only the second tetradrachm of Domna attested in Caracalla's issue of silver coins at Caesarea in 216-7 AD, the first being lot 557 in our preceding catalogue 166. This second specimen has longer legends than the first, namely CEBACTH for CEB on the obverse and MHTPOΠΟ KAICAPIAC for MHTPO KAICAP on the reverse; also the city's honorary title ANTΩ is written in just one line across the field, not in two lines as on the first specimen. EF ..........3000

- 449. MACRINUS; 217-218 AD, Tetradrachm, Cappadocia, Caesarea, Year 1=217 AD, 10.05g., Berk 166, 15 October 2009, 575 (same dies); legend and bust-type var. of Syd-503 and 503a. Obv: [AY KAI MAP ΟΠΕΛΛ? CΕΟ]YH MAKPINOC CE Bust laureate r., fold of cloak on far shoulder. Rx: MHTPOΠΟ KAICAPIAC around, ET A in exergue, Mt. Argaeus, with nude male statue holding globe and scepter on summit. Caesarean silver coins of Macrinus are very rare. Sydenham/ Malloy recorded no didrachms and a mere three tetradrachms, two of Year 1 and one of Year 2, all from private collections. No Caesarean silver of Macrinus at all occurs in Berk photofile, CoinArchives, or Wildwinds. The collection we recently acquired contains by far the fullest assortment of Caesarean silver coins of Mascrinus ever published: see our catalogue 166, lots 575-581, plus the present coin and the next three lots.

- 453. CARACALLA, 198-217 AD, Tetradrachm, Commagene, Zeugma, 213-17 AD, 11.87g., Prieur-814 (1 spec., same obv. die), Bellinger-132 (1 spec., obv. ill. pl. X.13, same die as ours). Obv:AVT.K.M.A. ANTΩNEINOC CE Bust radiate, cuirassed r., seen from front. Rx: ΔΗΜΑΡΧ ΕΞ VΠΑΤΟ Δ Eagle standing facing, wings spread, tail and head r., wreath in beak, Z E I. and r. of eagle's head, V between his legs. Rare with this bust type, which was apparently struck from only one obverse die. Prieur-815, a variant with eagle looking left on reverse, is from the same obverse die. Scarce mint, that struck tetradrachms for Caracalla only, not for Macrinus and Diadumenian. The attribution is certain, because the first three letters of the mint's name, ZEV, are given on the reverse. VF.......650





























